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BEFORE THE MESSAGE: Sadat greets Libyan Premier Jalloud on Sunday evening. Jalloud then presented Gaddafi's message which the Egyptians rejected. (AP radiophoto)

Egypt rejects Libyan charges of immorality

By ANAN SAFADI, Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Correspondent

Egypt has publicly and angrily rejected a Libyan proposal that their badly strained relations be restored to their former friendly state. An official statement from Cairo declared that President Anwar Sadat had "rejected the style and the substance" of a message from Libyan leader Mu'ammer Gaddafi which held that Egypt and Libya were not suffering from diplomatic disorders but from "an ethical crisis."

Gaddafi's message was brought by Libyan Premier Abdul-Salam Jalloud on a brief visit to Cairo on Sunday night. Jalloud conferred with President Sadat, presidential aide Ashraf Marwan and Interior Minister Mamdouh Salem.

The Egyptian statement said that, had Cairo known in advance of Libya's "conflicting attitudes," it would have adopted "a different stand," an indication that Jalloud might not have been received by the Egyptian Ministers.

Gaddafi's message to Sadat said that, "after observing for some time all that is happening in Egypt, I have reached the conclusion that we are not suffering from a crisis in diplomatic relations, but a crisis of ethics."

"You reached the same conclusion in the past when you urged a return to the morals of the villages," which are based on frankness and sincerity, Gaddafi said. And he asked: "But when will the morals of the village triumph?" in Egypt.

In circulating the Gaddafi message and Egypt's response, Cairo's semi-official Middle East News Agency indicated that Sadat would no longer tolerate Libya's behaviour. It did not elaborate on what action the Egyptian leader may take to counter Tripoli's mounting criticism of his regime.

Egypt's relations with Libya, strained originally over Sadat's reluctance to merge the two countries, worsened last month when Cairo accused Gaddafi of having masterminded an armed attack on the Egyptian military technical academy with the aim of overthrowing the regime.

Italians defy Church, vote to keep divorce

ROME (Reuter). — Italians have voted three to two to maintain the three-year-old law instituting divorce here in a politically highly-charged referendum whose result will have unpredictable consequences.

Final results in the two-day referendum gave 40.9 per cent (13,188,184 votes) for a repeal of the law and 59.1 per cent (19,093,929) to keep it.

The result means severe discomfort for Amintore Fanfani, secretary of the giant Catholic Christian Democrat Party, who had prompted the referendum in the hope of uniting his party behind him and dealing a hard blow to the Communists, Italy's second political force.

It also means a sharp blow for the Catholic Church, which had told this country's predominantly Catholic 37 million electors that they were conscience-bound to vote to abolish divorce.

The scale of the pro-divorce victory was totally unexpected, although the figures more than confirmed the findings of public opinion polls. Few had expected that the Church and the Christian Democrats, who have led the country politically ever since the war, would not be able to sway Italians into at least a close vote.

The real surprise of the referendum, the first to be held in Italy since it became a republic in 1947, was that the south of the country failed to voice a clear vote against divorce as had been expected. A pro-divorce majority had been predicted from the cities and from the industrialized north, but less sophisticated southerners had been expected to vote the way their Church told them to.

Frelimo said using Sams

LOURENCO MARQUES, Mozambique (UPI). — Portuguese Chief of Staff General Francisco da Costa Gomes said yesterday that Black Frelimo guerrillas have received sophisticated Russian Sam missiles and were using them against military aircraft in Mozambique.

Gomes' statement, made shortly before he flew back to Lisbon at the end of a four-day visit here, was the first official word that the guerrillas had received advanced Soviet weaponry.

Western diplomatic observers said it signalled an ominous turn in the 10-year-old guerrilla war here which until now has been mainly fought with antiquated World War II hardware. (Earlier report — Page 4)

U.S. gun threatened 'fast-moving island'

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. Navy's new self-firing anti-missile gun got so confused in its first test that "it threatened to sink Santa Barbara Island" and a friendly ship, says the General Accounting Office (GAO).

The radar-controlled gun thought the island was a fast-moving target, according to a GAO report released here by U.S. Congressman Les Aspin. The metre-per-second speed was censored out of the public copy, but Aspin said a classified version showed the gun thought Santa Barbara is and "was a very fast island."

During another test the gun tracked, locked onto and declared as a threat, the U.S. Navy ship Hollister, the GAO said.

It said the incidents occurred during initial testing off the California coast between January and March this year of the new Phalanx anti-missile gun.

The Phalanx is essentially a "last-ditch defence" to shoot down enemy missiles headed for its ship, the GAO said. It said the Phalanx also can fire on planes and other ships.

The GAO said the tendency to lock onto ships in its area warrants considerable attention "when it is considered that a Phalanx-equipped ship may be part of a multi-ship task force." The problem, the GAO indicated, is that clutter from radar reflections off large objects makes the gun think it has an enemy target.

The GAO quoted the Navy as saying that the problem "is being actively pursued." But Aspin said the initial tests cast serious doubt on whether the Phalanx is worth another dime "out of our already-bloated defence budget." He said: "Certainly, we have no urgent requirements for an automatic gun that attacks islands and friendly ships."

Withdrawal offer is final

Jerusalem demands to know what it will get for pullback

By DAVID LANDAU, Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel's negotiators reiterated to Dr. Kissinger yesterday that they could not undertake any further substantial withdrawals on the Golan Heights beyond those offered to Syria earlier in the disengagement talks. They stressed, moreover, that Israel needed more information on what Syria proposed to offer in return for Israel's territorial concessions. Israel attaches particular importance to arrangements for a secure and effective "limited forces zone" — an issue hardly tackled in depth yet in the 17-day-old Kissinger shuttle.

Israel sources said that, while it was "too early to be despondent," it was clear that the Secretary had run into obstacles on Sunday when he had discussed with the Syrian leaders, for the first time, the geographic and strategic details of a disengagement agreement as they saw it.

Last Wednesday the Secretary had been buoyed by the fact that President Assad had not rejected the Israel map, but had instead accepted it as a basis for more talks. But when, on Sunday, more talks were held and the U.S. and Syrian teams began examining specifics, it was soon clear that many hurdles were still left to be taken.

The Syrians had evinced a willingness to attain disengagement, the sources said, but had remained tough on their territorial demands and unforthcoming on their readiness to contemplate the kind of "limited forces zone" and other security arrangements upon which Israel was insisting.

Israel itself could not make further territorial concessions and needed more specifics on the other aspects of a possible disengagement, the sources said.

The Secretary of State is to fly to Damascus this morning with "the Israel reactions to the Syrian considerations," and he will return to Jerusalem tonight, presumably bearing further Syrian considerations. Last night he said he would "make no speculation" on whether he could obtain an agreement this week. He must return to Washington by Monday at the latest.

A senior Israel source said last night that all the parties would know by tonight whether there was hope of concluding the talks successfully in the present shuttle round. Everything depends on the Syrian response this morning, the source said. If that is positive, the talks could then proceed "at full pace," with the outstanding aspects of disengagement to be subject to intense negotiation.

FOUR-HOUR CABINET

The Cabinet met for four hours in special session yesterday to hear a report on the progress of the talks. An official communique made no mention of new decisions, but said that there had been reports followed by a discussion.

After the Cabinet meeting, the U.S. and Israel negotiators held their second round of the day — they had held a brief session in the morning — and the Prime Minister reported to Dr. Kissinger on the Cabinet meeting. The two then met alone for 45 minutes.

A highly-placed source said after the Cabinet meeting that there had been a deterioration in the situation since the weekend. He thought there was still room for negotiation, but doubted if an accord could be achieved this week.

The main lesson of the talks so far, a well-placed source summed up, was that there could be no quick agreement, but every aspect of a disengagement needed to be worked out in long and arduous negotiation.

Dr. Kissinger has tended to isolate the territorial issue, the source indicated, concentrating almost solely upon it in the hope that, if agreement could be reached on a line, the other aspects of a disengagement would fall into place. Neither side, he had assessed, would foil an accord over the limited forces zones or other technical aspects, once they had agreed on the line of separation.

The Israel negotiators, on the other hand, have found it hard to isolate the question of the line from that of the zones and the other arrangements which, following the pattern of the Israel-Egypt accord, are designed to provide security and longevity to a disengagement.

The U.S. team continued to display optimism yesterday as they awaited the upshot of the Israeli Cabinet's deliberations. A senior American official noted that the gap still remaining between the sides was small compared with the distance that each side had already moved away from its initial negotiating position. The official admitted, though, that the concessions still required would be difficult to obtain from either side — although he still estimated the Secretary's chances of success at "a shade better than fifty-fifty."

U.S. sources confirmed that the three strategic hills west of Kuneitra figured prominently in the talks now. They did not believe that Israel would be willing to cede these hills — even to the U.N. — but they still hoped that some broader territorial compromise could be worked out.

FATAHLAND BOMBED

Two hurt in 10-hour Syrian gun barrage

POST Military Correspondent

Two soldiers were wounded by Syrian gunfire on the Golan Heights yesterday in a 10-hour clash which encompassed most of the region from Mazrat Beit Jann in the north to the Rafid Junction in the south.

Fighting in the area started shortly before 8 o'clock, after a dawn raid by Israel planes on terrorist concentrations in southern Lebanon. The planes swept over the border at 6 o'clock and headed for terrorist concentrations in the vicinity of Mazrat Beit Nafel, Hariba and Kafr Azayeit in Fatahland, bombing there for about 20 minutes. (A terrorist spokesman in Beirut admitted the attack on their positions in South Lebanon and said one terrorist was killed and two wounded. The "Palestinian" news agency (Wafa) quoted the spokesman as saying several installations were destroyed. The Lebanese Defence Ministry claimed at the same time that the Israel Air Force attack was against "farming communities" and that four civilians were killed. Prime Minister Takieddin Solh later described the raid as a "savage attack.")

Artillery clashes in the area started with relatively heavy Syrian shelling of the southern Golan west of the cease-fire lines near Hushniye, and in the southern sector of the Bulge captured in the October war. Later in the day, the northern sector near Mazrat Beit Jann — where there were light arms clashes during the night — also came under fire. Several times yesterday the Syrians fired in the vicinity of Kuneitra and Ein Zivan, causing no damage nor casualties.

Throughout the day, Israel artillery replied, hitting Syrian gun emplacements up to a distance of 10 kilometres from the cease-fire lines.

20 settlers establish 'presence' in Kuneitra

By DAVID SLAV, Jerusalem Post Reporter

KUNEITRA. — A group of 20 men and women from settlements of the Golan Heights and the Hula Valley have set up a "settlement" in this ghost city, which is one of the points of dispute in the Syrian-Israel disengagement agreement. The group took over one of the houses on Sunday, cleaned it up, prepared a kitchen and brought along water tanks and generator for lighting.

They intended starting work yesterday, but a sudden Syrian artillery attack prevented this.

The group claimed that another settlement had been planned for the northern part of the Golan. In view of the Kissinger talks, they had decided to make an early start and lay the foundations for a settlement in this town immediately. Their obviously demonstrative act is designed to back their demand that the Golan Heights remain within Israel's borders.

A police spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* that no complaint of trespassing had been lodged, and the police had therefore taken no action. (Demonstrations — Page 2)

Syria names three captives

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The three Israelis taken prisoner in Syria in the past month were revealed yesterday to be Binyamin Kiryati, whose plane was downed while on a bombing mission on the Hermon range on April 19, Yosef Weiss and Amiram Marcus, both from the armoured corps, who were abducted by Syrian soldiers several kilometres from the Hermon peak on May 2.

The names were brought by Henry Kissinger from his visit to Damascus on Sunday.

No information was forthcoming about a fourth solider thought to have been captured together with Weiss and Marcus when their tank was ambushed on May 2. Tracks from the scene of the ambush led into Lebanon, and at the time it was thought that all three men had been taken alive.

Kiryati's plane, a Phantom navigator, was shot down by a Syrian missile, thought to be a Sam 7, while bombing the Syrian road leading up to the peak at the height of the battle for possession of this point.

Dr. Kissinger did not bring back information about the condition of the three men. At the time the Syrians said that the pilot they had picked up was seriously injured.

MK wants to know

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Alignment M.K. Moshe Shahal wrote last night to faction whip Moshe Baram, asking him to summon an urgent faction caucus to hear a report from the Government about the progress of the disengagement talks with Dr. Kissinger.

"Each and every one of us is obliged by his conscience, as well as his public duty, to share responsibility," Shahal wrote to Baram. "So we have the right to share the political and other considerations guiding the Government in its decisions."

The Aguda Front faction met yesterday with Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin and Likud leader Menahem Begin to hear their views on the Government's disengagement proposals.

The Aguda is expected to support the Government when a disengagement decision is presented in the Knesset.

Not welcome in Uganda

NEW YORK (JTA). — Uganda would like to increase its tourist industry but doesn't want spies, mercenaries, Zionists, imperialist agents or women in wigs, short shorts or mini-skirts, it is reported here.

State Dep't reverses stand

US trying to aid Syrian Jewry

IRA SILVERMAN
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The State Department yesterday reversed its previous hands-off stance with regard to the status of the beleaguered community of Jews in Syria.

Late last month it was revealed that the Department, in response to an inquiry from a Haifa woman concerned with the situation of the Syrian Jews, took the position that "The fate of Syrian Jewry is the internal affair of the Government of Syria." That stand drew sharp criticism from many American Jews, as well as officials of Likud.

Under this criticism, which mounted during Secretary of State Henry Kisinger's meetings over the past two weeks with Syrian President Hafez Assad, the State Department has now sought to alter its position.

Referring to the Department's earlier assertion that the Syrian Jewish plight is an internal affair of the Damascus Government, spokesman Paul Hare told newsmen yesterday that: "This unfortunate phrase, which appeared in a letter we used for a short time, in response to public questions on this issue, is not Department policy."

"Rather," he continued, "our view which is reflected in current letters replying to questions on this subject — is that we are concerned about the fate of the Jewish community in Syria; we believe our approach through diplomatic channels is the most effective way to deal with the situation, and it is our firm belief that a peaceful solution to the current Middle East crisis offers the Syrian Jewish community the best opportunity to lead the kind of life, free from restriction and intimidation, to which the U.S. believes everyone is entitled."

The State Department would not confirm the disclosure by Administration and Israel sources that Secretary Kissinger has in fact raised the issue of Syrian Jewry with President Assad.

The Secretary, as he left for the Middle East two weeks ago, had been urged by several Congressmen to pursue the issue. Fourteen Congressmen sent him a telegram, requesting that he "urge the Syrian Government to permit the emigration of Syrian Jews from Syria to such countries as will receive them."

In response to the Congressional group, led by Sidney Yates, Benjamin Rosenthal and Charles Vanik, the State Department wired that the Secretary has the plight of Syrian Jews "very much in mind."

Consistent with yesterday's explanation of the current Administration stand, the response said also that "the U.S. Government will continue its long-standing efforts on behalf of the Syrian Jewish community in whatever ways we believe can have practical effect in the context of the evolving but still delicate U.S.-Syrian relations."

Conclusive talks in Damascus today

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Observers in Arab capitals believe that U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's talks in Damascus today will be conclusive as far as Syria is concerned.

Syrian President Hafez Assad has called an extraordinary session with his top aides prior to today's meeting with Kissinger on disengagement on the Golan Heights. The Syrian government is expected to make its first official statement this evening on whether agreement has been reached.

Yesterday Egyptian Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Mohammed Gamassy arrived in Damascus and immediately met with Assad. Damascus Radio said Gamassy delivered a personal letter from President Anwar Sadat to Assad.

Damascus Radio yesterday said in its Hebrew broadcast that negotiations were in progress. The radio quoted a Beirut newspaper quoting American sources as claiming that Israel has agreed to relinquish the three hilltops overlooking the town of Kuneitra, while indicating that the line of disengagement has been concluded.

The implication of the broadcast and other Arab press assessments was that current differences concerned other issues; mainly Syria's demand for an Israel undertaking to pull back to the pre-1967 frontiers in accordance with Syria's interpretation of U.N. Resolution 242. This Syrian demand was being viewed as the last stumbling block in Kissinger's efforts to achieve a troop separation.

Among the high-ranking Syrian officials President Assad has summoned for today's debate on disengagement are Defence Minister Mustafa Tlas, army intelligence chief Brig. Hikmat Shehabi and Air Force commander Lt. Gen. Naji Jamil, all of whom participated in Sunday's talks with Kissinger.

Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul-Halim Khaddam has put off until the weekend a meeting he was scheduled to have in Damascus today with his Lebanese counterpart, Foad Naffa. The latter yesterday conferred with the U.S. ambassador in Beirut where "cautious optimism" was being expressed over the possible achievement of a disengagement between Syria and Israel.

Amman waits and sees

The Jordanian Government is awaiting the outcome of Dr. Henry Kissinger's mission in Damascus today to decide on action for its own claim for a military disengagement with Israel, according to report from Amman.

Jordan's Premier Zaid Rifai told a group of Lebanese newsmen on Sunday that his Government has rejected an Israel plan which, he said, offered the restoration of Jordanian administration in parts of the West Bank. Rifai said that Jordan rejected the plan, conveyed via Kissinger, because Israel insisted on maintaining military positions along the Jordan River and postponing discussion of the Jerusalem question.

Rifai added that his Government was adamant about an Israel pullback from the entire Jordan valley "from the north to the Dead Sea" as part of a troop separation.

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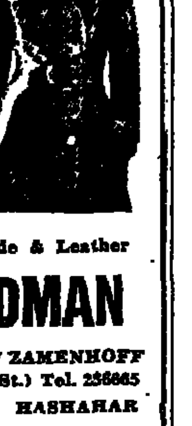
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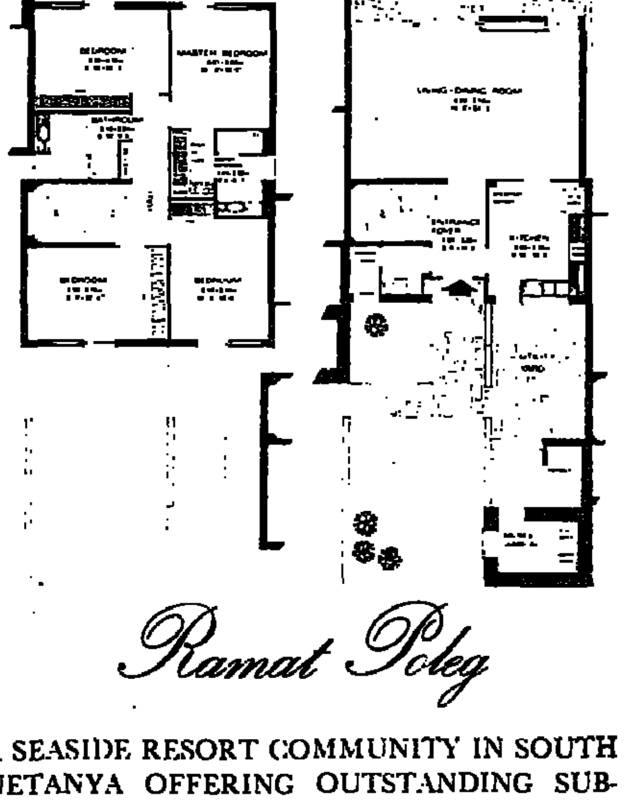
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Labour Party likely to approve Rabin coalition of 58

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The 610-member Labour Party Central Committee is this evening likely to delegate Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin to form a government based on 58 Knesset members — the Alignment's 51 plus three Arab and Druse MKs together with the four Independent Liberal members.

Such a minority government would win a vote of confidence because Mrs. Shulamit Aloni's Civil Rights Movement has committed its three votes to support Mr. Rabin, even if they do not join the coalition, as seemed likely last night. It would also be assured of the single Moked vote and, reportedly, the abstentions of the three Rakah, the five Aguda and even some NRP members.

It is understood that in return for her support Mrs. Aloni would accept a Labour Party offer of a place on the Knesset foreign affairs and Defence Committee.

The Labour Party negotiators headed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir and Mr. Rabin in a series of coalition consultations in the Knesset yesterday resolved that the ILP and the CRM would be asked to join the government on the basis of the existing policy-lines. The Independent Liberals concurred but asked the Alignment to make an effort to persuadt the CRM to come in. Moreover the Labour leadership, in a gesture towards the NRP, resolved to freeze the coalition agreement for at least three months during which time the three NRP-held portfolios would be left vacant in the hope that it would change its mind by then.

Once this period is up the Alignment would agree to a reappraisal of the coalition agreement and its policy lines and distribute the three portfolios. However, Mrs. Aloni proved difficult at a meeting of the Alignment, the ILP and the CRM, when she charged that the Alignment's insistence on maintaining the religious *status quo* in the coalition agreement was aimed at keeping her out of the coalition. "I refuse to step into the NRP's shoes and accept an agreement signed by (Religious Affairs Minister) Yitzhak Raphael," she said firmly on emerging from that meeting.

Mrs. Aloni's staying out of the coalition will make it easier for Mr. Rabin to win broad support at today's Labour Party meeting. Wide circles in the party share Premier Golda Meir's objections to any tie-up with Mrs. Aloni, fearing a Cabinet that would lack Mrs. Meir and Moshe Dayan, but include Aharon Yadlin, Moshe Baram and Avraham Ofer, and rely on the votes of Mrs. Aloni's group and Moked, would be too "dovish."

Meanwhile unofficial contacts continue with the NRP, but with no results so far. Their efforts to find a compromise formula, on the "Who's a Jew" issue led them to telephone Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren in France, where he is now on a visit, but no results were forthcoming.

As to the likely composition of Mr. Rabin's cabinet, Labour Party sources said the Premier-designate was seeking to avoid committing himself publicly to any kind of list. Informed Labour Party sources say there are objections inside the Party to Information Minister Shimon Peres getting the defence portfolio.

MK query on Rabin fee at Bar Mitzvot

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Likud's Ehud Olmert M.K. yesterday asked Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin about allegations that he earned fees for speaking at Bar Mitzvot, when he was Ambassador to the U.S. Olmert's parliamentary question asked for full details of Rabin's earnings from lectures during his service in Washington.

Olmert said that although the Minister has 21 days grace in which to reply, he would ask Mr. Rabin to reply sooner — before he presents his new Cabinet.

The CRM's Shulamit Aloni, among others, tabled a similar question some weeks ago, to the Foreign Minister.

493 HEBREW University graduates received their diplomas yesterday at the university amphitheatre. Eight diplomas of graduates who fell in the Yom Kippur war were received by their families.

Social and Personal

Mrs. Nina Katzir, the President's wife, yesterday received members of the seminar of the International Council of Jewish Women now meeting in Jerusalem. Mrs. Pnina Herzog, chairman of the Israel Council of Women's Organizations, attended.

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Secretary of State Henry Kissinger yesterday presented to his Ambassador to Israel Kenneth Keating the State Department's Superior Honour Award for "the dedicated and outstanding performance" of the American Embassy during and after the October 1973 war.

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The Uruguayan Ambassador, Mr. Yamandu Laguarda, yesterday paid a farewell call on Mayor Teddy Kollek on conclusion of the Ambassador's tour of duty.

Members of the diplomatic corps held a farewell reception on Friday for Mr. Laguarda at the home of the dean of the diplomatic corps, Ambassador of Finland Algar Von Heiroth.

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A youth convention on Quality of Life in Israel will be held in commemoration of the war dead at 9.30 a.m. today at the Haifa University, Mt. Carmel. The opening address will be made by Dr. Herzl Fischman, adviser to the Minister of Education and Culture.

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The Central European Settlers Association in Haifa will hold its annual spring bazaar at Parents Home, 7 Rehov Mapu, Ahuza, at 4 p.m. today. The proceeds will go towards the Association's social aid projects and the Soldiers Welfare Society.

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A lecture on Sculptor Jacques Lipchitz, who died a year ago, will be given by Dr. Ziva Meisels at the Israel Museum tomorrow at 8 p.m. Mayor Teddy Kollek will speak.

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Members of the Diabetics Association will meet at 7.00 p.m. tomorrow evening at Beit Harofe in Haifa. Dr. Ravina will lecture on superstitions about diabetes.

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CONDOLENCES

Sincere condolences to Anan Safadi on the death of his father. From his colleagues.

ARRIVALS

Carl Alpert, Executive Vice-Chairman of the Technion's Board of Governors, from a mission to the U.S.

DEPARTURES

Prof. Frans Alting Van Geusau, Dutch expert on international relations, after a week here as guest of the Foreign Ministry.

Rabbi Karpol Bender, executive vice-chairman of the International board of overseers of Bar-Ilan University, for North America on university business.

Geula Chavkin, member of the presidium of the Organization of Latin Americans in Israel, to South America and Mexico, on behalf of the Jewish Agency and Pioneer Women.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Weak ridge approaching our region and causing a stabilization of weather and a rise in temperatures.
Weather synopsis: Partly cloudy to fair with a slight rise in temperatures.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	46	11—21	10—23
Golan	20	6—20	6—23
Nahariya	57	12—23	12—24
Safad	58	8—20	7—22
Haifa	68	16—21	16—22
Tiberias	41	13—29	12—30
Nazareth	52	12—22	12—24
Afula	51	11—24	10—26
Shomron	48	12—21	12—23
Tel Aviv	58	14—23	13—24
Lod	47	12—24	13—24
Jericho	43	14—31	13—32
Gaza	73	14—22	13—23
Beersheba	45	10—25	10—27
Eilat	20	18—31	15—33
Tiran	26	— 31	24—32

Court orders action against youth home

HAIFA. — Juvenile Court Judge Avraham Melamed yesterday ordered contempt of court proceedings against the Mitzpe-Yam youth institution, for its refusal to take in a 14-year-old Haifa delinquent.

The youth was first brought before the Haifa Juvenile Court in February this year and was convicted on 18 charges of theft. He was placed under a probation officer, but continued to mix in criminal circles and began to take drugs. He also became involved in a number of street fights.

In view of this, Judge Melamed ordered that he be sent to the Mitzpe Yam Youth institution — the only one of its kind in the country following the closure of the Gil-Am Home in Kiryat Ata about six months ago. Yesterday, the boy was brought back to the court, and the policeman accompanying him told the judge that the institution had refused to accept him for lack of room.

Judge Melamed noted that there have been several cases in recent months of juvenile delinquents returning to the streets because of the failure to carry out Juvenile Court orders. He asked how it was possible to rehabilitate these youth and make useful citizens out of them when the institutions set up to perform this function refused to obey the law.

He ordered that Chief Justice Agranat be informed of his ruling.

Bill would ban names in ads without prior consent

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

A person whose name is used without his consent — for purposes of business or commercial publicity — will be able to sue for damages, under a draft law which the Knesset voted to Committee yesterday. The use of a person's photograph, or his voice, or an imitation of them, will also be actionable.

Justice Minister Haim Zadok, who introduced the draft law, added that a person's heirs would enjoy the same right to sue for a period of ten years after the person's death.

The courts in Israel had so far refused to give a judgement in favour of a person whose photo had been featured in an ad without his consent, since the law here did not recognize this as an abuse of the privilege of the individual, the Minister said. English courts also refused to rule in favour of similar plaintiffs, he said.

This law was only one of the aspects involved in the much wider sphere of protecting the rights of the individual, he said. The need for more legislation to protect those rights had become widely recognized in democratic countries of late, he said.

He said he would appoint a special committee headed by Supreme Court Justice Alfred Witkon to recommend legislation, to protect the privacy of the individual.

Three other draft bills which Mr. Zadok presented and which were voted to Committee on the first reading were:

- The Arbitration Law, designed to bring the Israeli law into line with international law, under the New York Convention of 1959 regarding disputes over commercial contracts between countries.
- The Contractual Agreement Law, designed to lay down the legal rules governing contractual agreements, where a court considers an agreement to be of that category, rather than a labour agreement. This replaces the appropriate Ottoman legislation.
- The Partnerships Ordinance, designed to do away with the Mandatory ban on registering partnerships set up for land purchases, without official permission.

One-day strike today at Jerusalem Hadassah

Jerusalem Post Reporter

All out-patient clinics at Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital will be closed today as about 2,000 employees are holding a one-day warning strike over the issue of a special retirement grant.

All efforts at mediation failed yesterday. The employees demand a retirement grant amounting to 28 per cent of one month's salary for every year worked. The management says it already contributes 13.5 per cent a month towards each worker's retirement premium, rather than the customary 11 per cent.

Management said it could pay the special grant only by reducing the monthly contribution to 11 per cent. Paying the grant would cost the hospital about IL1m. a year, a spokesman said.

The strike is backed by the Jerusalem Labour Council. The works committee is allowing all essential employees to report for work today, and the hospital will run on its Sabbath and holiday schedule. The doctors are not involved in the strike.

Unless agreement can be reached, the workers say they will start an open-ended strike in two weeks.

Hadassah out-patient clinics usually handle about 1,000 patients a day.

SIRENS to anounce the oncoming of the Sabbath have been donated anonymously to 18 cities in Israel in memory of the 18 victims of the recent terrorist massacre in Kiryat Shmona. The name of one of the victims is inscribed on each siren.

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DISTRICT COURT OF HAIFA
Legacies Administration File 188/74

In the matter of the late AMIN MUHAMAD ALI BAHAI deceased on January 10, 1974.

Petitioner: NEGAR MUSA MUHAMAD ALI BAHAI.

Citation: Be it known that N. RAM advocate will be the administrator of the above deceased and be it known that an application has been filed in this Court for probation of the will of the above deceased, and I hereby cite all persons who wish to oppose the probate of the will, to submit their objections within 15 days from the day of this publication, as otherwise the Court will make such order as it may deem fit.

Je ISMAN, Judge
Registrar

Ariel Sharon, M.K., talks to demonstrators outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Golan settlers demonstrate; 'Nixon's Jewboy go home'

By AARON SITTNER Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hundreds of settlers from the Golan Heights, Judea and Samaria last night demonstrated opposite the Prime Minister's Office, chanting "Jewboy, Jewboy, Kissinger go home," as the U.S. delegation arrived to meet with Government Ministers.

The protesters were apparently referring to President Nixon's alleged anti-Semitic remarks on the Watergate tapes. Defence Minister Moshe Dayan looked angry as the shouting grew louder. U.S. Ambassador Kenneth Keating smiled, but Kissinger's face was expressionless.

The demonstrators gathered in the morning, filling the lawn on the Hakirya road. Most of them appeared to be religious. The men milled around and held their placards up while the women cared for the children in makeshift burlap-and-wood bungalows.

Among the signs noted were: "We Say No to a Vietnam-like Peace"; "Kissinger — you may have to seek refuge when they start calling you Jewboy"; "Surrender of Kuneitra is the first step towards collapse"; and "Israel minus Golan is like Czechoslovakia minus Sudetenland."

A spokesman for the demonstrators, Elyakim Ha'etzni, of Kiryat Arba, told *The Jerusalem Post:* "The Golan Heights are an integral part of the State of Israel... our call goes out to all of the country's settlements, and to the cities as well: Rise up and head for the Golan!"

The number of demonstrators on hand varied throughout the day — from about 100 in the morning to more than 1,000 in late afternoon. When a group of Mapam and Hashomer Hatzair counter-demonstrators showed up, they were received warmly by the settlers, and discussions began between the two camps.

Mr. Dayan, who had stopped to chat with the settlers earlier in the day, assured them no Golan settlements would be jeopardized in any separation-of-forces agreement. He said some territorial adjustments must be made, as was done in Sinai. He also took issue with a few of the demonstrators over the question of the historic boundaries of Eretz Yisrael.

Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur also came across the street from the Prime Minister's Office to talk with the settlers. He too said Golan settlements face no danger, and promised efforts would be made to keep them out of the first line of defence, in any territorial arrangement with the Syrians.

Before the "Jewboy" chanting began, Information Minister Shimon Peres begged the demonstrators not to shout their slogans at Dr. Kissinger. "He is a guest of the Government and should be treated wih respect," Mr. Peres reminded the settlers. One of them said Mr. Peres also asked them not to appear to taunt Mr. Kissinger with being Jewish.

Begin: 'Future of homeland at stake'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Likud leader Menahem Begin last night called on the Government to tell Dr. Kissinger that "no power in the world could oblige us to forgo true peace and make do with makeshift arrangements that would enable our enemies to destroy us later."

Addressing a mass rally of several thousand persons in the May Cinema square here, Mr. Begin said that we were now engaged in a fateful political campaign, on the outcome of which would depend whether our children would have a homeland.

Our enemies were bent on destroying us, he said, and any withdrawal from the Golan would lead to withdrawal elsewhere and give them the chance they sought by bringing our cities within the range of their guns.

Mr. Begin called for the establishment of a National Unity Government, and attacked the Labour Party for trying to set up a minority Government at this fateful hour.

He said the Likud would hold similar meetings in every town and village in Israel in order to rally overwhelming public opposition to any withdrawal.

Other speakers included Likud representatives and a Druse and a Jewish father whose sons had fallen in battle.

Non-orthodox rabbis hit NRP

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The National Religious Party's "mixing of religion with politics" may cause a split in world Jewry, leaders of Israel's non-orthodox congregations warned at a press conference here yesterday.

Addressing newsmen were Rabbi Philip Specter, president of the Rabbinical Assemby in Israel; Prof. Ezra Spicehandler, vice-president of the World Union for Progressive Judaism; Rabbi Moshe Zemer, chairman of the Information Committee for Progressive Israel, and Yehuda Mor, board member of the United Synagogue of Israel.

Rabbi Zemer said the NRP's pressing the "Who's a Jew" issue could well affect donations and immigration from the U.S., as the overwhelming majority of Jews there are not orthodox.

"We envisage no action except warning, the loudest we can, of the implications of the NRP's actions," Prof. Spicehandler said.

Port workers insist on separatism

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Port foremen and stevedores agreed here yesterday to work together against any changes in the port's organization that do not take their factional interests into account.

They are particicularly concerned about the attempt to integrate the two groups, a move which the port management sees as a necessary first step towards any effective improvement. The division of foremen and stevedores into separate groups, the management believes, is an anachronism.

While agreeing that the port must keep abreast of modern cargo handling techniques, the men feel that the management must take them into confidence in planning any future reorganization.

"SPRING IN TEL AVIV" begins today with the opening of the Arts and Crafts fair in Sderot Chen, Hebrew Book Week at Kikar Malchei Yisrael and performances at the Tel Aviv Museum.

Ben-Aharon:

'Ministers misled Golan settlers'

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Yitzhak Ben-Aharon MK said yesterday that in his opinion the settlers on the Golan had been misled by certain members of the government. He said that "every reasonable person knows that there is no chance of reaching disengagement with the Syrians without altering the 1967 line on the Golan Heights."

Mr. Ben-Aharon, a member of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, was speaking to newsmen here before leaving for Brussels for a series of lectures on behalf of Jewish organizations.

Although it was clear that no government in Israel could give up the Golan, there was nothing holy about any of the lines at which we stopped in 1967, and not every centimetre of the cease-fire line should be treated as sacred, he said.

Labour Sephardi MKs demand Cabinet seats

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Labour Party members of Oriental origin held a Sephardi caucus in the Knesset building yesterday, and urged Premier-designate Yitzhak Rabin to appoint more Oriental Cabinet Ministers and Deputy Ministers.

They should be given charge of Ministries involved in solving Israel's social problems, the caucus said. The appointments would increase the Government's credibility in the eyes of the Sephardi community, it believed.

Other decisions of the caucus were:

- to urge Labour to keep the coalition door open for the NRP since most Oriental Jews are traditionally inclined;
- to urge the next Government to prepare a clear programme, applicable within a limited time, to close the social gap and apply the recommendations of the Prime Minister's Committee on Disadvantaged Youth.
- to hold a special meeting with the Premier-designate to discuss these demands.

Deputy Knesset Speaker Mordechai Ben-Porat is one of the moving spirits in the caucus.

Seven Samaritans hurt in bus crash

NABLUS. — A bus filled with worshippers returning from the Samaritan Passover festivities went out of control while descending the steep road from the peak of Mount Gerizim yesterday.

Among the seven persons injured in the accident were two priests of the sect, Yosef Ben Av-Hasdeh, 52, and Aharon Ben Av-Hasdeh, 45 — both of whom received serious injuries and were taken to the Sheba Medical Centre at Tel Hashomer.

Retirement age 'should go up'

TEL AVIV. — Men should retire at 67, and women at 63, at the earliest, according to the director of the Histadrut's Central Pension Fund.

Yitzhak Haskin, chairman of the board, and Yehoshua Pratt, general manager of the Fund, argued at a press conference here yesterday that as life expectancy in Israel for men is over 78, and for women four years more, "there is no need to take productive personnel out of work too early."

The Fund will mark its 20th anniversary at its annual convention scheduled for next Monday.

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Robbery suspect out on bail

TEL AVIV. — A suspected bank robber was released on IL10,000 bail by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday, with the agreement of the police.

Sabah Cohen, 28, had been remanded for seven days on May 8. A police witness said then that the suspect was involved in robbing two banks in Tel Aviv and Ramat Hasharon of IL250,000. He said an accomplice was willing to turn State's witness.

The accused's lawyer claimed in court there was no evidence against his client and no cause to keep him under arrest. (Itim)

Soccer semi-final today

Jerusalem Betar will play Petah Tikva Hapoel in the semi-final of the State Cup at the YMCA stadium in Jerusalem at 4 p.m. today. The second semi-final between Tel Aviv Maccabi and Haifa Hapoel will be played at the Bloomfield Stadium in Jaffa at 6.30 p.m. tomorrow.

Tel Aviv University Medical School
honours the memory of
Eliezer Meron ז"ל
who died on April 29, 1974
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Anan Safadi and family announce with deep sorrow the death of their
FATHER
who passed away on Sunday, May 12, 1974.
The funeral took place in Nazareth the same day.

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The funeral will take place at the Herzliya cemetery, on Wednesday, May 15, 1974, at 3 p.m.

THE UNVEILING OF THE TOMBSTONE OF OUR DEAR AUNT,
HERTHA KAPHAN
will take place on Sunday, May 19, 4 o'clock at the Cemetery in Tiberias.
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A MEMORIAL MEETING FOR MY WIFE
BEATRICE WAND-POLLACK
will take place today, Tuesday, May 14, 1974, at 4 p.m. at the Givat Shaul cemetery.
Meeting at the cemetery gate.
The Husband and Family

Nancy Kissinger sunbathing at the King David Hotel pool yesterday. At left, Undersecretary of State Joseph Sisco grabs a nap between shuttles. (K. Weiss)

Kollek calls for Three-Day March to Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mayor Teddy Kollek has called upon the Israel Defence Forces to hold the traditional Three-Day March to Jerusalem this year. The IDF announced several months ago it would be too busy this year to organize the 19-year-old event, which draws close to 20,000 marchers.

In a letter to Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur, Mr. Kollek said it was especially important at this time to hold an event "which emphasizes our eternal connection with Jerusalem and our deep feelings for it." The public had demonstrated on Independence Day that it wanted celebrations, Mr. Kollek said.

It would be a mistake, he added, to disappoint the hundreds of friends who come from abroad each year for the event. Mr. Kollek suggested that the march be held during Succot.

Stricter grading for traffic offences begins tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The points system governing traffic offences will be expanded and made more strict, starting tomorrow. The number of offences covered will be doubled from 133 to 267.

The number of offences penalized with two points will also be doubled from 82 to 165, and those carrying four points from 51 to 102. Even under the expanded scheme, the offences covered include only "moving" offences — breaches of the traffic law by vehicles in motion. This excludes parking and administrative offences, the Transport Ministry spokesman said.

Offences which will carry four points instead of two include: speeding, failing to keep a proper distance (from the vehicle travelling ahead), driving in the wrong direction (on a one-way street or against a directional arrow), careless and negligent driving.

The spokesman stressed that the points system is chiefly a method for spotting habitual offenders and retraining them. Until now, a driver who had accumulated 12 points had his licence suspended and was called before a review board. Completion of a safe-driving course would earn a driver a cancellation of points.

Changes in these arrangements and full details of the expanded system are to be announced in newspaper advertisements.

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Nazareth group asks boycott of city gov't plan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — A local group called "The Union of Arab Academics and Intellectuals" yesterday called on the proposed members of the city management to refuse the Interior Ministry's appointments.

The group distributed leaflets in the town, charging that Mayor Seif Edin Zu'abi's recent resignation and the Ministry's intention to appoint a city management were designed to deprive Nazarenes of their right to elect their own council. They demanded that new elections be held at the appointed time, on December 9.

An inquiry commission, appointed by the Ministry following the Mayor's resignation, recommended the dispersal of the council, and the establishment of an appointed management. Mayor Zu'abi has said that such a management should run the town for at least two years, in order to put matters in order and to get residents to pay their local rates.

A Rakah delegation headed by Tewfik Toubi, M.K., met with Interior Minister, Dr. Yosef Burg, yesterday and demanded that municipal elections be held as soon as possible in Nazareth.

Cooperative complains of big drop in number of passengers

EGGED DEMANDING IL 50m. TO KEEP BUSES RUNNING

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Egged may stop its bus services next Sunday, if the cooperative does not receive IL50m. from the Government, according to the chairman of the cooperative's secretariat, Yosef Harari.

Mr. Harari told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that members of the secretariat are to meet with Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir this evening to discuss Egged's financial difficulties and ways and means of obtaining the IL50m.

Mr. Harari said the present difficulties result from a severe drop in the number of passengers since the October War, and the large development loans that the cooperative is paying off.

During the past two years the cooperative invested over IL250m. in new buses and another IL25m. in building projects, such as garages and bus stations.

He said the cooperative was earning 35 per cent less from its regular bus services. Internal tourist services had dropped by 50 per cent and foreign tourist services had dropped by about 85 per cent, compared to last year.

Egged last month fired 150 hired bus drivers in order to cut some of its losses, and the cooperative may fire an additional 200 to 400 hired bus drivers.

Mr. Harari claims the cooperative is losing IL500,000 every day and if Egged does not receive the IL50m. in the next five days, there will not be enough money to run the buses.

Dan bus cooperative spokesman Aharon Shani yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* that they also have taken losses, because of a drop in the number of passengers, especially at night. "After 9 p.m., hardly anybody uses the buses, and the buses are going around nearly empty. This trend has developed since the war," he said.

Dan is also losing money because of the traffic congestion problem in Tel Aviv. The buses are travelling slower and earning less.

Mr. Shani says Dan's financial situation is not acute, because the secretariat is trying to solve these new problems and to economize as much as possible, so that operation costs will be as low as possible. Dan put all its members on "emergency" schedule after the war. The drivers had to work an extra number of hours per day and did not receive overtime pay for it.

The two cooperatives are to meet today with the Knesset Economic Committee to discuss the problem of traffic congestion in the Tel Aviv area. One of the Dan proposals will be to give special lanes to public transportation, so that buses will be able to travel faster.

Goren discusses Jerusalem with French Cardinal

Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren yesterday met in Paris with Cardinal Francois Marty, senior Catholic Church official in France, and discussed with him the status of Jerusalem as Israel's capital and the question of Syrian Jewry — a spokesman for the Chief Rabbinate announced yesterday.

Cardinal Marty asked Rabbi Goren to send him a memo on these issues and promised "to throw all his weight behind the salvation of the Jewish community in Syria," the spokesman said.

On Sunday, the Chief Rabbi, who is visiting France as the guest of the Jewish community, addressed a mass rally in Paris. He denounced U.N. Security Council Resolution 242 and told his audience that "the Jewish People is beholden to something far more important than that — the promise of the Tora."

The rally was also attended by Chief Rabbi of France Jacob Kaplan and the Israel Ambassador to France, Asher Ben-Natan.

YARKON STENCH RETURNS

Assis 'to cut pollution'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT GAN. — Mayor Yisrael Peled has stayed his closure order for the Assis Cannery. The Cannery was to have been closed tomorrow for a large number of ecological violations, such as producing excessive noise levels around the clock, emitting smoke and soot, channelling corrosive acids into the Yarkon River and maintaining unsanitary conditions within the plant.

The Mayor had decided to close the plant, after years of talks with the plant management brought no results. The management has now produced a detailed plan for solving all of the ecological problems created by the plant. Assis has also sent the Mayor a written promise that the work would be completed within a reasonable period of time.

Meanwhile, the Yarkon River stench has been spreading to the neighbourhoods situated along its banks. The stench carried as far as Tel Aviv over the weekend.

The precise cause of the foul odour has not yet been ascertained. It is feared that the stench may reach the level of the last months, when heavy foul odours enveloped the area for two weeks.

Residents in housing developments adjacent to the Yarkon have already complained of nausea and headaches as a result of the stench.

Mayor Peled this weekend sent urgent messages to the Health and the Interior Ministries, demanding emergency action on the problem.

Experts fear that approachng hot weather will aggravate the problem.

The Yarkon is polluted by sewage from towns as far away as Kfar Saba, and even from towns beyond the Green Line. This pollution arrives via small tributary streams which empty into the Yarkon. Raw industrial sewage is a major factor in the river's pollution.

Canadian Bishop named Papal envoy to Jerusalem

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — Pope Paul VI yesterday named Bishop William A. Carew as the new Apostolic Delegate to Jerusalem and Palestine. Msgr. Carew will replace Msgr. Pio Laghi, who has been appointed Apostolic Nuncio in Argentina.

Msgr. Carew, 52, was previously Nuncio for the African nations of Rwanda and Burundi. As delegate to Jerusalem and Palestine, Carew is also Apostolic Nuncio to Cyprus.

He was born in St. John's, Newfoundland and ordained priest in 1947.

A correspondent adds: The appointment of a Canadian to the Delegation in Jerusalem is a break with tradition, as the post has always been filled by an Italian, because of the many Italian priests and religious communities in the Holy Land.

The new Delegate has had a varied apostolate since his priestly ordination in 1947. He has served as a curate in parish work in Newfoundland, and in the administration of the diocese of St. John's, as chancellor and as secretary to the Archbishop of St. John's.

Msgr. Carew entered the diplomatic service of the Holy See in 1958, and worked in the Vatican's Secretariate of State until 1969.

In 1969 Msgr. Carew was nominated as Bishop elect to the titular diocese of Telde (in Spain) and was consecrated bishop in January 1970. As an Apostolic Delegate, he has the title of Archbishop.

Apart from pastoral administration and diplomatic work, the new Delegate is a scholar and an author. Among his published writings are works on liturgical and historical subjects.

Goods recovered after two warehouses robbed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — The police here have recovered about IL60,000 worth of stolen goods in the possession of a 40-year-old Tulkarm resident. The man was arrested.

During a routine search of the suspect's car at a roadblock, 840 imported razors, worth about IL10,000, were found. A search of the man's home revealed quantities of cigarette lighters, pipes, tobacco, and makeup. All were apparently stolen in February from two warehouses in Tel Aviv and Nahlat Yitzhak.

First auto show set for October

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's first international motor show will be held this year from October 1 to October 12, the show's promoters announced this weekend. If the show is a success, the promoters plan to turn this into an annual event.

The show will take up the whole area of the exhibition grounds at Ramat Aviv. All types of automobiles will be displayed, including the new 1975 models.

Three wage contracts due to be signed

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Collective work contracts are expected to be signed today or tomorrow in the rubber, plastics and agricultural-labour sectors, according to the Histadrut spokesman.

He stressed that they are confined to the limits of the Histadrut's wage policy for 1974, which comprises an increase in basic salaries of IL50-80 a month, and a lifting of the ceiling on basic wages, for the purpose of calculating the cost-of-living allowance, from IL700 a month to IL1,000.

The toughest wage bargaining is now on in two branches — between the Manufacturers Association and the Metal Workers Union, and between the Civil Service Commission and the Civil Servants Union. Metal workers want to benefit from the prosperity of an industry which, they say, is waxing fat on big defence contracts. As they cannot demand any increase in basic pay exceeding IL80 a month, they want to shorten the 47-hour working week, like the civil servants (who work 45 hours, and 42 in the summer). The aim in reality is not to spend less hours at the plant, but to get more overtime pay.

As to the civil servants, they have an eye on the Clerical Workers Union and particularly the bank clerks, who are at the top of the wage ladder. In general, unions are reluctant to sign before they know what other sectors have achieved. The food workers allegedly want an explicit clause in their wage contract, saying that if other unions get more, they are free to re-open negotiations.

Another problem worrying the Manufacturers Association is the wage differential between grades. If the less-skilled workers get IL80 and the higher grades get only IL50 (as the Histadrut intended), precedents suggest there will be discontent on the shop floor. Says the Association's spokesman: "Union men tell us to settle such matters in negotiations at the plant level. But that means more wage increases, to preserve the differential."

In fact most workers will end up with something close to the IL80 rise anyway. "Those whose basic pay is less than IL1,000 a month will net in addition a c.o.l. allowance, and those above will not — so that will narrow the wage gap painlessly," the Histadrut spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

The Histadrut Executive stated firmly on Sunday that the unions should end their negotiations this week — and there should be no shortened working hours, or increased holiday pay, or other departures from the wage policy as agreed in broad lines with the employers and the Government. Otherwise Finance Minister Sapir will not be bound by his promised freeze of taxes and subsidised prices.

This is the point constantly hammered by Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel. Only if the unions accept the limits set in this latest tripartite "package deal" will the employers and the Government abide by their own commitments, he stresses.

Strike at 'special' schools postponed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The local branch of the Histadrut Teachers Union has put off for a week its one-day strike at 18 special education schools here. The strike was scheduled for this morning.

The strike was called to protest the fact that the city refuses to hand over the building of the Dubnow elementary school to the Netzah Yisrael school, where 140 retarded youngsters are pupils. The city has earmarked the school building for a new junior high school. It offered, however, to move Netzah Yisrael to the 60-year-old Yosef Haglili school building near Gan Meir.

The teachers postponed the strike after they were promised that Director-General of the Ministry of Education Mr. Elad Peled would tour the special education schools during the coming week.

U.S. volunteer expelled for security offence

A deportation order has been issued against a U.S. volunteer, who was sentenced to three years' imprisonment earlier this year for leaving the country illegally and for passing security information to the Lebanese, the Interior Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

David Albert Yohas, 31, of Boulder, Colorado, was convicted last January for crossing into Lebanon in December, 1973, and passing on information about fortifications at Kibbutz Misgav Am, where he worked. Yohas, who arrived in Israel last year as a volunteer, confessed to divulging the information because he "wanted to bring peace closer."

Expulsion orders were also issued against Hans Dorn, a German citizen convicted earlier this year of possessing 130 grams of hashish, and Asher Rosenthal, a U.S. citizen convicted of passing bad cheques.

The three men will be deported within the coming week.

Blackout warning on end to rent control

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem storekeepers will black out their windows on Thursday evening as a "warning and protest" against an end to rent control on business premises.

The possibility of such a move was mentioned by Housing Ministry officials on Sunday night, during a meeting with economic reporters.

Steel City lockout as mill workers join strikers

By YAACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — The 130 mill workers in Koor's Steel City were locked out yesterday for the second day, due to a strike by the plant's 22 crane operators.

The plant management yesterday cabled dismissal notices to the operators, for having stopped work without Labour Council approval. It said this was not the first time the operators had stopped work and caused a production halt.

The 22 men went on strike after police charged two of them with negligence following the death of a man who fell from one of the cranes two months ago.

The operators demanded that management give them a written undertaking, assuming full responsibility for future accidents — until the cranes are made safe. The management rejected their demand.

Acre Labour Council secretary Yitzhak Haziza, himself a former crane driver at the mill, told *The Jerusalem Post* he had proposed a meeting of all concerned. He made his proposal after personally inspecting the cranes, and finding that some of them need improvements.

The workers' committee rejected his proposal, and intended to appeal to the Labour Ministry, he said.

The Koor spokesman said the cranes were in good condition, and under control of an engineer authorized by the Labour Ministry. He said the police agreed that the cranes were not faulty. He added that the management could not undertake to assume responsibility for every accident.

Hotel occupancy rate down

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's hotels in 1973 experienced their worst year since 1967, and the situation is unlikely to improve this year. Occupancy rates in recommended hotels last year dropped to 48.5 per cent last year, a 19.3 drop from 1972, Dr. I. Licht, manager of the Israel Hotel Association, said yesterday.

The record year in the hotel industry was 1971, when average occupancy reached 60.4 per cent.

Dr. Licht pointed out that all data collected by the Central Bureau of Statistics indicated that 1973 was an especially bad year for the hostelries, and that this had already become evident before the outbreak of the October war. The drop in tourism was only partly responsible for this. Another major factor was the continuing growth in the number of hotel rooms.

Record fine for firm in income tax case

TEL AVIV. — A local engineering firm was fined IL100,000 in the Magistrates Court here yesterday for failing to transfer funds deducted from employees salaries for income tax to the authorities. This is reported to be the highest fine ever imposed by a Magistrates Court.

The Tzevet engineers and architects firm was fined IL100,000, and its director, Moshe Yirmitzky, was fined IL10,000 for failing to pay IL302,000 deducted in 1970/71.

The firm was also ordered to pay its debt to the income tax department immediately.

(Itim)

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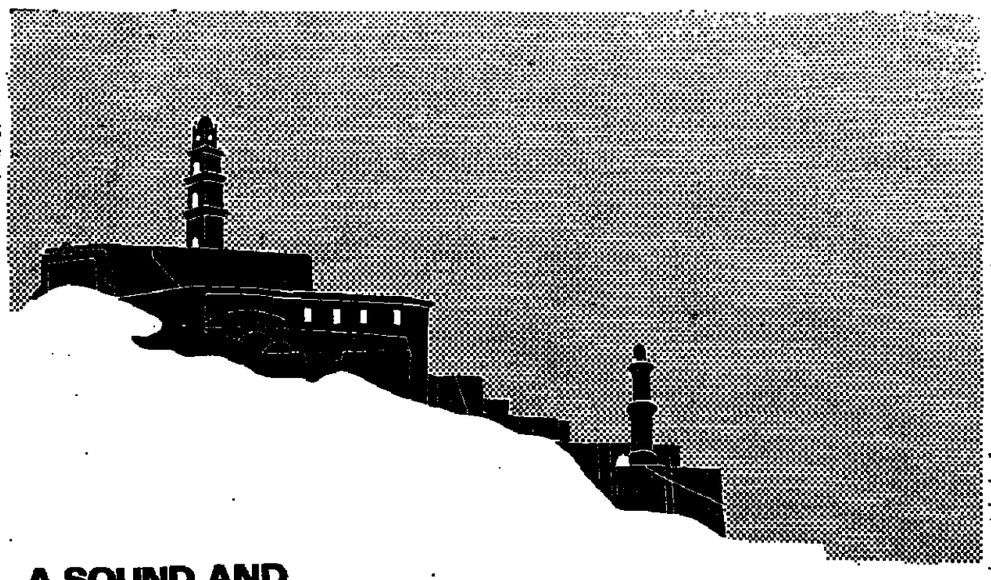

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Lisbon won't expand war in Africa

LOURENCO MARQUES, Mozambique (UPI). — Portuguese Chief of Staff Gen. Francisco da Costa Gomes yesterday urged anti-Portuguese guerrillas to lay down their arms and said Portugal had no plans to expand the war.

Gomes ruled out Portuguese strikes against guerrilla bases across Mozambique's borders in Tanzania and Zambia. He also said Lisbon did not intend to seek any troop aid from South Africa.

The Chief of Staff, No. 2 man in the junta which seized power in Lisbon late last month, spoke in Beira, northern Mozambique, before leaving for home after a three-day fact-finding mission.

Beira itself, scene of civil disorders during the weekend, remained tense, witnesses said. Public buses stopped running and military and civil police kept order.

Gomes was asked if Portugal would expand the war to hit guerrilla base areas in neighbouring Tanzania and Zambia.

He said "I don't think we will do that. I think those countries will eventually see reason and respect international law."

In the latest incident over the weekend, police said, guerrillas blew up a train on the Tete-Beira route, derailing the engine and freight cars and injuring three railroad employees.

At the news conference yesterday, Gomes again appealed to the guerrillas to lay down their weapons and form a legitimate political organization in Mozambique — a plea the guerrillas have ignored until now.

In Lisbon, Gen. Antonio de Spinola appeared yesterday to have successfully juggled Portugal's new political parties to form a government that stands left and leans right, diplomatic sources said.

They said such a setup would serve both the political currents and the economic needs of the nation. Spinola said in a newspaper interview on Sunday that Portugal's ruling junta will name him President tomorrow, and that he will name a provisional government to take office on Thursday.

Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi receives Bangladesh Premier Sheikh Mujibur Rahman on his arrival in New Delhi for a five-day visit. (AP radiophoto)

'Gromyko's M.E. role to grow in Geneva'

NEW YORK (JTA). — Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko's role in the Israel-Syrian disengagement problem is a sign that the Soviet Union intends to protect its assets in the Middle East which are still considerable despite the rise of American influence in Egypt, "New York Times" correspondent Henry Tanner reported from Cairo yesterday.

The Russians will move to meet the American challenge, but will not go so far as to endanger their relationship with Washington, Tanner said.

He said that Western diplomats are convinced that while Gromy may have been "dwarfed" by Se retary of State Henry Kissing until now, he "will come into o own again when the Geneva confe ence reconvenes and takes up th fundamental political issues includin Palestinian Arabs, security in th area and final boundaries."

Tanner noted that the Russia have endorsed all the Arab po tions on these issues but "the U in contrast may once more find difficult to exert the kind of pres ure on Israel needed to bring abo a settlement that the Arabs w accept."

Khmer rebels' threat to three major towns

PHNO MPENH (AP). — Three provincial capitals, including the vital seaport of Kompong Som, 240 kms. southwest of Phnom Penh, are being seriously threatened by new insurgent drives.

Nine government outposts near Kompong Som have fallen in the past week and insurgents are reported moving heavy weapons and mortars into jungled hills overlooking the town and its airport, Cambodian officers and refugees said.

The Cambodian command said that some Khmer Rouge forces also withdrew from the seige of Longvek north of Phnom Penh and shelled the provincial capital of Kompong Thom, 145 kms. from the capital on Sunday. An insurgent buildup was also reported around Prey Veng, 48 kms. east of Phnom Penh.

More than 100 civilians with torn feet and tattered clothing straggled ou of the hills around Kompong Som to government lines on Sunday and told reporters of Khmer Rouge operations in the area.

They said thousands of government soldiers and civilians were killed in attempting to break out of a Khmer Rouge encirclement along Highway 4 northeast of Kompong Som. The rebels have captured more than 45 kms. of the highway in the past week.

The refugees said insurgents also captured four 105mm. Howitzers, eight trucks and many other supplies. Government air force planes bombed abandoned equipment in efforts to destroy it before the insurgents could seize it.

Government forces have set up their main defense line 20 kms. east of Kompong Som. But Khmer Rouge artillery is already within range of the airport and shells have been fired into frontline government positions.

Municipal officials in Kompong Som said the city's population has been swollen to about 100,000 by refugees. Filed reports said last week that government reinforcements have moved into Kompong Som to beef up the weak port garrison.

The attacks on Kompong Som, Kompong Thom and Prey Veng are apparently part of the Khmer Rouge strategy since mid-February to concentrate on isolated provincial towns and outposts.

Oudong and Sala Lek Pram, two towns near Longvek, fell in March, and survivors from them fled to Longvek, where 4,000 soldiers and 40,000 civilians are encircled with slim chances of rescue.

Viets quit Paris talks

PARIS (Reuter). — The Vietcong yesterday suspended indefinitely talks here with representatives of the South Vietnamese Government on the country's political future, Vietcong officials said.

The move follows a boycott of the talks by the South Vietnamese delegation since April 16 because of increased Communist attacks throughout the country. Each side yesterday accused the other of systematic sabotage of the negotiations held at La Celle Saint Cloud, near Paris.

The Vietcong-backed Provisional Revolutionary Government formally told the South Vietnamese delegation here of its decision through liaison officers.

It said it had suspended the talks until South Vietnam "puts an end to all sabotage of the talks." The South Vietnamese immediately issued a statement accusing the Vietcong of halting the discussions in a new act of sabotage and a flagrant violation of peace agreements.

The talks began six weeks after the Vietnam peace pact was signed here by the warring parties and endorsed by the U.S., the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China as well as other countries represented in the International Control and Supervisory Commissions.

Under an agreement reached between Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and North Vietnamese Politburo member Le Duc Tho here last June, the two South Vietnamese parties were to have worked out political plans for the future within 45 days.

U.S. jet pull-out

BANGKOK (AP). — The U.S. is to withdraw 21 war planes including three B52 bombers, from Thailand tomorrow as part of an agreement on U.S. pull-outs, Thai military sources said Monday.

More B52 bombers are to be withdrawn from Thai bases later in the week, and air crews and support personnel will leave too, the sources added.

Sadat sees secure border with DMZ

MILAN. — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was quoted yesterday as saying Egypt was ready to negotiate secure borders with Israel — perhaps through a demilitarized zone — under the condition of a return to the 1967 borders.

In an interview with the Milan weekly "Epoca," he also rejected the claim that Egypt's final goal was destruction of Israel. He said that normalization of relations with Israel was possible "but this could regard the next generation."

He added, "During the last war three major Israel cities were within range of our missiles. But I did not give the order to launch them."

As to border problems, Sadat said Egypt could accept the idea of a demilitarized zone. "But this zone should be extended on both sides since Egypt, too, has the right to claim secure borders... It is necessary that Israel forget the vital space theory, the will to impose its choice on neighbouring countries, the contempt toward the Arabs said Sadat.

Sadat said the Suez Canal will b open to all ships on the basis of th 1881 convention. "This conventio provides passage for ships of a countries not engaged in a state o war with Egypt... also, Israe ships would pass once a peace treat has stopped a state of belligerence between us," Sadat concluded.

In another interview, with "Time" magazine, Sadat said: "I am prou that for the first time in 40 year we have no concentration camps."

Sadat outlined his method o presenting Egypt's case to th world: "We Arabs are very hot. W flare up and we cool down. Bu here in Egypt we are now usin language that can be understoo all over the world. A man mus be a man of his word. I say whe I mean, and I mean what I sa and this is not based on sentimen tal factors or flaring emotionalis but on wise calculation," said Sada (AP, UPI)

Chou, 'feeling age,' cancels meeting with Bhutto

PEKING (UPI). — Chinese Premier Chou En-lai, who complained earlier of not feeling well because of his age, cancelled a round of talks yesterday with Pakistani Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, a Pakistani Government spokesman said.

The spokesman said only that the 75-year-old Chou was convalescing following "a recent indisposition." When Bhutto and his delegation arrived on Saturday for a four-day official visit, Chou told him: "I am not very well because I am old."

Chou, who met with Bhutto on Saturday and Sunday for talks that included Chinese Communist Party chairman Mao Tse-tung, had scheduled more discussions with Bhutto yesterday. Vice-Premier Teng Hsiao-ping led the Chinese delegation instead.

Teng, in a speech on Sunday night at a banquet honouring Bhutto, declared his country's firm support for Pakistan. The remark prompted an Indian diplomat, identified only as Charge d'Affaires Mehrotra, to walk out of the banquet in Peking's Great Hall of the People.

Bhutto termed the walkout irresponsible and "stupid," saying he questioned such tactics at a time when Pakistan was trying to normalize relaions on the sub-continent.

At the banquet given in his honour, Bhutto said the settlement of the Jammu and Kashmir dispute between Pakistan and India is "imperative" for lasting peace on the sub-continent. He added, "During the past two and a half years considerable progress has been made towards the normalization of relations in South Asia."

IN LONDON TO TAKE UP POST

Ex-Egyptian CoS Shazly denies he is anti-Semitic

LONDON (Reuter). — Lt.-Gen. Sa'ad Eddin Shazly, whose appointment by Egypt as its Ambassador to Britain aroused strong controversy in this country, flew in yesterday to take up his new post.

Critics in Parliament and in the press had accused him of having contacts with anti-Semitic groups when he was Military Attaché in London from 1960 to 1963. One Jewish Member of Parliament attacked the appointment of Shazly because of his known past "fascist connections."

But at London airport yesterday General Shazli, the Egyptian Chief of Staff during the October War, told newsmen that he had not been connected with extreme right-wing organisations.

Asked if he had ever been connected with British National Socialist or any anti-Jewish movements, he replied: "Good heavens, no. I stayed here seven or eight months after that was rumoured, without any questions from the Foreign Office or with anything being done."

Pressed to say how the various stories about the alleged links had started, the 52-year-old general replied with a smile: "When you have many friends you are also likely to have many enemies."

He added that he was not anti Semitic. "How can I be when I am Semitic myself."

The Jerusalem Post Arab Affai Reporter adds:

The former Conservative Gover ment of Edward Heath held up a proval of Shazly's appointment b cause of his alleged connections wi fascist elements. The appointme was finally endorsed by the new La bour Government, which is said have conducted an inquiry into Sha ly's past activity in the Brit capital, and reportedly found nothi to prevent him serving as his cou try's diplomatic representative London.

Shazly was dismissed from h post as Chief of Staff by Egypti President Anwar Sadat at th height of the October fighting. H is rumoured to have broken dow when Israeli forces smashed acro the Suez Canal on to the We Bank. In a recent interview wi Beirut's "Al-Hawadeth" newspape Sadat said that Shazly had advis the withdrawal of the Egypti Second and Third Armies and h warned that Egypt was facing catastrophe because of the Israe breakthrough.

Cyprus says boycott ship 'not ours'

NICOSIA (Reuter). — A 10,319-ton freighter, which has come under the Arab boycott of Israel, had no right to be flying the Cypriot flag, the Ministry of Communications and Works said here yesterday.

Officials were commenting on a report from Bahrain on Sunday that the Despina Pontikos, carrying cars and air conditioners for delivery at Persian Gulf ports, had been boycotted on discovery that it had once been owned by Israel as the Har Tabor.

Shipping sources in Bahrain said she had managed to offload freight at Muscat, Oman, before a customs officer at Dubai noticed Hebrew lettering under her paintwork.

The Ministry here said yesterday the ship was no longer registered under the Cyprus flag and had no right to fly it. Officials said the Despina Pontikos was granted a temporary registration certificate for six months on November 29, 1972, and this had expired on May 28 last year. There had been no move to re-register the ship in Cyprus, they added.

REPORTS OF DEATHS IN CHINESE QUAKE

HONGKONG. — Peking's official news agency on Sunday issued its first report on a major earthquake which struck an area in south-west China on Saturday, saying the quake caused loss of life and damage to homes. The report gave no figures on the number of deaths.

The earthquake measured 7.1 on the Richter scale, the Hsinhua News Agency said. It said aftershocks were recorded on Sunday.

The earthquake was centred near the border area of Yunnan and Szechwan Provinces, 1,150 kms. northwest of Hongkong and about 300 kms. southwest of Chungking.

"Our great leader Chairman Mao and the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party and the State Council have shown great concern to the various nationalities in the affected areas. And immediately organized departments concerned for relief work," Hsinhua said.

In Japan two more bodies have been recovered from a landslide triggered by an earthquake in the Izu Peninsula 120 kms. south of Tokyo, police said yesterday. This brought the total dead to 21 and the missing to eight from Thursday's quake.

In Yugoslavia, a strong earthquake hit the southern city of Skopje on Sunday night but no casualties or damage were reported. Skopje, capital of Macedonia, lies in a major earthquake zone. It was almost totally destroyed in a violent earthquake in 1963 when more than 1,000 people were killed and 4,000 injured. *(UPI, AP, Reuter)*

COPPER. — A huge copper ore deposit has been discovered above the polar circle, Tass reported yesterday. The deposit, which the news agency said is the largest in the Soviet Union, is spread over an area of several dozen square kilometres. It is located on the Taymyr peninsula.

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Militant Protestants threaten civil war

IRA PLAN TO DESTROY BELFAST REVEALED

LONDON. — Prime Minister Harold Wilson warned yesterday that Irish Republican Army terrorists have made plans to take over the Northern Ireland capital of Belfast or to destroy it.

Wilson said captured IRA documents contain "a specific and calculated plan" to occupy and control densely populated areas of Belfast and its suburbs "by ruthless and indiscriminate violence."

But should these attacks fail, Wilson told a hushed House of Commons, the IRA planned to conduct a "scorched earth policy," burning down large areas of the city as it retreated.

Wilson was reporting to Parliament after one of the British Army's biggest successes in the five years it has tried to keep the peace in the province. Army forces raided a house in Belfast, which they said was the IRA headquarters in the city, seizing documents, maps, arms and ammunition.

They arrested Brendan Hughes, IRA commander in the city. Wilson's statement also made clear that the army captured plans for the next round in the IRA terror campaign to drive Britain out of the province and unite it with the Irish Republic to the south.

Wilson said the IRA plan was designed to foment sectarian hatred between the Protestant majority and the Catholic minority in the north.

"The plan shows a deliberate intention to manipulate the emotions of large sections of the people by inflicting violence and hardship on them in the hope of creating a situation in which the IRA could present themselves as protectors of the Catholic population," Wilson said.

"It is also clear from the documents," Wilson added, "that the IRA did not expect, even if they were initially successful, to be able to continue to hold a number of strong points in parts of Belfast."

"Their intention would have been to carry out a scorched earth policy of burning houses of ordinary people as they were compelled to withdraw," the Prime Minister said.

Captured documents would allow police to bring charges against IRA terrorists, Wilson said. These documents included orders to battalion commanders, an outline of general strategy, maps, and a draft proclamation to the civilian population.

Wilson said Northern Ireland Administrator Merlyn Rees would be reporting on the captured documents in his meeting yesterday with leaders of the Irish Government in Dublin. Britain wants Dublin authorities to help in a coordinated crackdown on IRA units which often slip south of the border to seek refuge in the Republic.

ELECTION DEMAND

Meanwhile in Belfast, militant Protestants yesterday demanded Britain call new elections in Northern Ireland or face a *coup d'etat* and ensuing civil war.

The Ulster Army Council, military wing of the Ulster Defence Association (UDA), made the threat in voicing support for a possible crippling province-wide strike by Protestant workers this week.

The Army Council demanded Britain "restore democracy" to Northern Ireland where it abolished the local parliament in March 1972 and imposed direct rule by the House of Commons in London.

The Council said elections should be called for a new Northern Ireland Assembly. "If Westminster is not prepared to restore democracy through an election then the only other way it can be restored is by a *coup d'etat*.

"Such a *coup d'etat* can only mean a civil war under the conditions already outlined," it said.

(AP, UPI)

UK to cut defence spending in Far East

LONDON (UPI). — Prime Minister Harold Wilson is sending one of his ministers to the Far East to start talks on reduction of British defence commitments there, Defence Secretary Roy Mason said yesterday.

He told Parliament that William Rogers, Minister of State at the Defence Ministry, will leave for talks in the area today. "We will examine all sorts of fields to find where we can make cuts of several hundreds of millions of pounds," he declared.

Government officials said the Labour government's aim is to slash defence spending from its present level of about £3,200m. to around £2,750m. annually.

A high Government official said last week the cuts almost certainly will include a complete military pull-out from Singapore and Southeast Asia, where Britain contributes about 2,500 troops, six small warships and a few maritime reconnaissance planes to a mixed Commonwealth force under a 1971 agreement.

However, government sources said there are no immediate plans to pull out of Hongkong, where Britain maintains five infantry battalions — mainly for internal security purposes — an artillery regiment, a few small warships and a number of Royal Air Force helicopters.

Mason said the major review of defence policy now under way almost certainly will force the government to cancel some equipment, research and development contracts in order to achieve its savings targets.

But he promised no cutbacks in troop strength in Northern Ireland while the present crisis lasts. "We shall remain for as long as we are needed to ensure the unrelenting continuance of the campaign against terrorism, from whatever quarter it may arise," he said.

Kurds threaten major Iraqi oil fields

LONDON (Reuter). — Iraqi air raids on civilian villages in northern Iraq could lead to reprisal attacks by Kurdish rebels on major oil installations at Kirkuk, a former Kurdish minister in the Iraq Government said here yesterday.

In bombing raids on 150 villages by the Soviet-equipped Iraqi Air Force, some 700 civilians had been killed and 2,200 injured, the ex-minister, Abdul Rahman, told journalists here.

He said the Kurds were reluctant to attack the Kirkuk oilfields — one of the points of contention between Mullah Mustafa Barzani's Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP) and the Ba'athist Government. But if the indiscriminate raids on civilians continued, this policy of restraint would change.

He claimed the Kurds had already demonstrated their capacity for hitting the big oilfields by two attacks on the periphery a week ago. These resulted in the blowing up of the small Alwand refinery and installations, at Khanikeen, 150 kms. east of Baghdad near the Iran border.

Rahman was Minister for Northern Affairs in the Ba'athist Government until this spring, when a breach between the Kurds and Baghdad led to the present fighting in the north. Rahman and former Iraq Public Works Minister Muhsin Dizayee are on a tour of European capitals explaining the Kurdish cause.

They said they resigned from the Baghdad Government on March 11 immediately after Iraq's President Ahmed Hassan Bakr announced the Government's intention to impose a form of autonomy on Kurdistan which the Kurds reject as not going far enough. The Baghdad Government replaced them and three other Kurdish Ministers last month, saying they had been dismissed.

Rahman said Kurdish regular and militia forces has killed more than 800 Iraqi soldiers since the fighting started in the foothills leading to the Kurds' mountain redoubt.

He said the Iraqi Air Force was using Mig-21 fighters and Sukhoi-7 and Sukhoi-22 fighter-bombers, as well as the Tupolev-22 supersonic bomber. Government air losses so far, he said, were eight planes and four armoured helicopters shot down. The Government had also lost 40 tanks.

Quoting latest Kurdish reports from the northern battle area, Rahman said that four nights ago, a detachment of the "Pesh Merga," Kurdish forces, entered Suleimaniyah city and shot the chief of security as a reprisal for the hanging of five students wtihout trial in Baghdad. One of the five students executed on charges of sabotage was a woman, Rahman said.

Concern over missing newsmen in Cambodia

KYOTO, Japan. — The International Press Institute (IPI) opened its 23rd annual general assembly yesterday with a call for all-out efforts to get information on 19 missing journalists in the Cambodian War.

The appeal was made by IPI director Dr. Ernest Meyer at the opening session at the International Conference in the ancient Japanese cultural city of Kyoto. More than 300 delegates from 32 countries were present at the meeting, which will end Thursday.

"IPI believes it is now its duty to appeal with utmost vigour to all the world's governments, to the United Nations and to all involved past or present, directly or indirectly, in the South-East Asia wars to start active research for the proof of the missing (correspondents)," Meyer said.

The general assembly also voted eight members to the IPI executive board.

They are: Ronald Macdonald, "The Age," Australia; Alfred Neven Dumont, "Koelner Stadt-Anzeiger," West Germany; William Block, "Pittsburgh Post-Gazette," United States; Harold Evans, "The Sunday Times," Britain; Ted R. Lurie, *The Jerusalem Post;* Alejandro Miro Quesada, "El Comercio," Peru; Olaf Wahlgren, "Sydsvenska Dagbladet," and L. Slaens of Belgium.

(UPI, Reuter)

Dollar down over Watergate

LONDON (UPI). — Mounting fears over Watergate yesterday battered the value of the U.S. dollar throughout Europe. Gold prices were mixed. Speculation that a revaluation of the West German mark against other European currencies was imminent added to the onslaught, dealers said.

In Frankfurt, the dollar dropped throughout the day to close at 2.3990 West German marks, down from 2.4170 marks at the opening. On Friday, the dollar was worth 2.4250 marks.

It was the first time in seven months the U.S. currency dropped below the 2.40 mark limit. The previous low was recorded on September 20, when the dollar stood at 2.3875 marks.

The British pound also suffered against European currencies, but managed to climb slightly against the dollar. It closed at $2.4287, compared to $2.43 on Friday. Gold on London's free market closed at $166.50 an ounce.

Turkey to revalue

ANKARA (UPI). — Turkey is revaluing its lira against the U.S. dollar, the Finance Ministry announced yesterday.

It said the new rate, effective today, would be 13.5 Turkish liras to the dollar instead of the previous 14.28.

SMALLPOX. — About 8,000 persons have died of smallpox this year in Bihar state in northwest India. Nearly 43,000 cases of smallpox have been reported in the state which, along with West Bengal and Bangladesh, is considered an endemic smallpox area.

King Hussein of Jordan, who is in Spain on an official visit, shakes hands yesterday with Chief of State Francisco Franco at the El Pardo Palace in Madrid. After receiving King Hussein for an hour, General Franco gave a private luncheon for him. King Hussein is due to fly to Rabat today for a state visit to Morocco. (AP radiophoto)

Streaking hits high fashion

PARIS (Reuter). — Streaking hit the high fashion scene yesterday when top Paris designer Yves St. Laurent had a naked male model dash through his Left-Bank salon at the start of his autumn and winter men's wear show.

St. Laurent, who two years ago posed naked to advertise his men's cologne, seems to think that undressing can be good for business.

His naked model, who wore only socks and tennis shoes, was greeted by thunderous applause from the fashion critics.

But when St. Laurent did dress his models it became apparent that he had abolished all eccentricity and the hippy look which so often characterizes the men's wear produced by his rival Pierre Cardin.

St. Laurent emphasizes black for sportswear as well as business suits and formal clothes, and revives the 1920's-inspired look with inset back belts and deep inverted pleats.

He also showed classic three-piece suits with matching check or tartan waistcoats for street wear.

Sports clothes are often styled with slim pants inspired from Bavarian hiking trousers worn with knitted sweaters, matching stocks and long mufflers and wedge-soled oxford shoes.

The only frivolity of the collection is the long nightgowns. Destined for lounge-wear they are styled like kaftans and made in printed tie-silk or crushed velvet.

SALVATION ARMY. — The Salvation Army yesterday named its new world leader, 67-year-old Canadian Clarence Wiseman. He is the tenth general of the movement and the first Canadian in its 109-year history. He Succeeds Erik Wickberg of Sweden, who retires on July 5.

Democrat leaders urge 'cooling' of campaign against the President

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The Democratic leadership in Congress urged colleagues yesterday to let the constitutional process of impeachment run its course and not "stampede the President into forced resignation." Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield of Montana said, "This is a time to keep cool. Resignation is not the answer."

But one Democratic member of the House Judiciary Committee, which will resume its closed hearings today on possible impeachment, said he is already convinced President Nixon is guilty of five impeachable offences.

The committee scheduled three days of closed sessions this week for presentation of evidence gathered by its staff. There was growing sentiment among committee members to vote on subpoenaing a tape it learned last week may be crucial to its inquiry.

Based solely on his readings of the edited transcripts already available, committee member John Conyers, Jr., Democrat-Michigan, said he thought Nixon was impeachable. "I don't need impeachment proceedings to help me understand that they're talking about commission of crimes," Conyers said in a Detroit television interview.

The No. 2 Democrat in the Senate, Robert Byrd of West Virginia, began an unplanned debate on the Senate floor by saying Nixon "is not yet even a defendant, except in the court of public opinion. If calls for resignation create a flashflood... and stampede the President into forced resignation, future Presidents will no longer serve fixed terms and will stay in office only by popular approval."

House Speaker Carl Albert also urged caution, saying the President should be allowed the benefit of the constitutional process.

The committee today was expected to hear the June 20, 1972, tape of a conversation between Nixon and his top aide H.R. Haldeman — the tape that contains the now famous 18½ minute gap.

Meanwhile, newspaper editorial support for President Nixon continues to dwindle. Past supporters of the President now urging his resignation or impeachment include the "Chicago Tribune," the "Los Angeles Times," the Spokane "Daily Chronicle," the Cleveland "Plain Dealer," the "Kansas City Times," the Providence "Sunday Journal," the "Honolulu Star-Bulletin and William Randolph Hearst, editor-in-chief of the Hearst Chain.

London talks on M-E policy

LONDON (Reuter). — British Ambassadors from about 20 countries in the Middle East and North Africa yesterday began a five-day study of the new Labour Government's policies towards Israel and the Arab States.

The private meeting, which has been specially convened by Foreign Secretary James Callaghan, is being attended by Ambassadors from Israel, Egypt and Arab countries ranging from North Africa to the Persian Gulf.

British officials said that Callaghan and David Ennals, Deputy Foreign Secretary who specialises in Arab-Israeli problems, would attend part of the conference.

Princess Anne weeps as her horse is destroyed

LONDON (UPI). — Princess Anne wept yesterday when her favourite horse, the one she rode to a European championship, broke a leg and had to be destroyed.

A Buckingham Palace spokesman said the Queen's daughter was riding Doublet, an 11-year-old gelding, in a training session in Windsor Great Park when an accident happened. "The Princess was just cantering Doublet when she heard a crack and discovered the leg had broken," the spokesman said.

A veterinary surgeon advised that Doublet should be destroyed to spare it further pain. Witnesses said Princess Anne was in tears.

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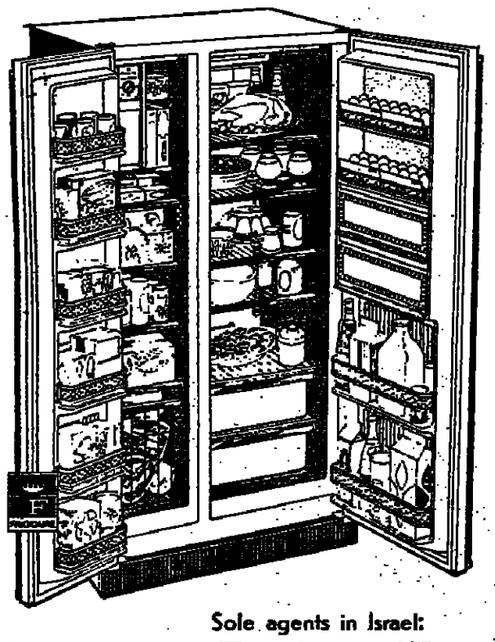

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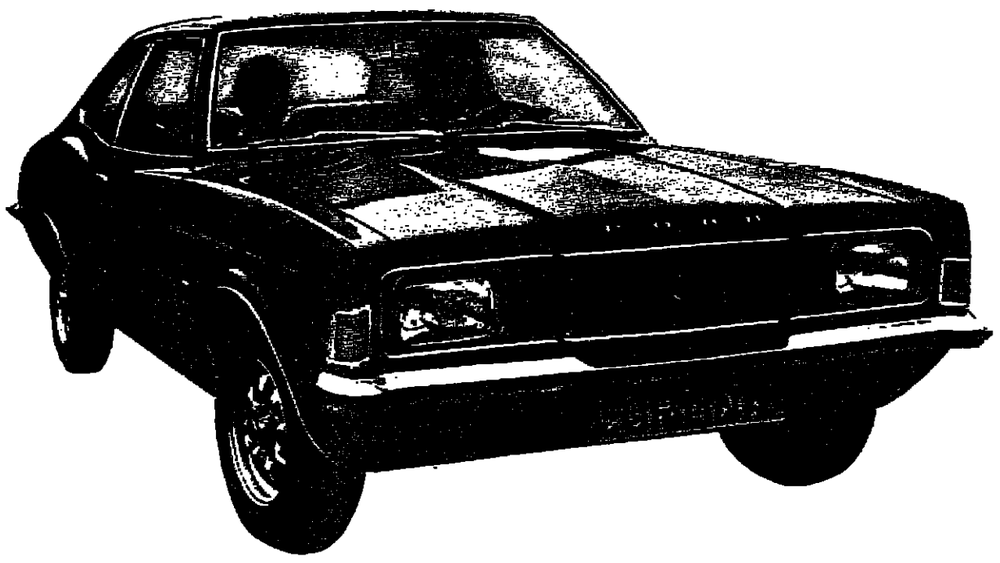

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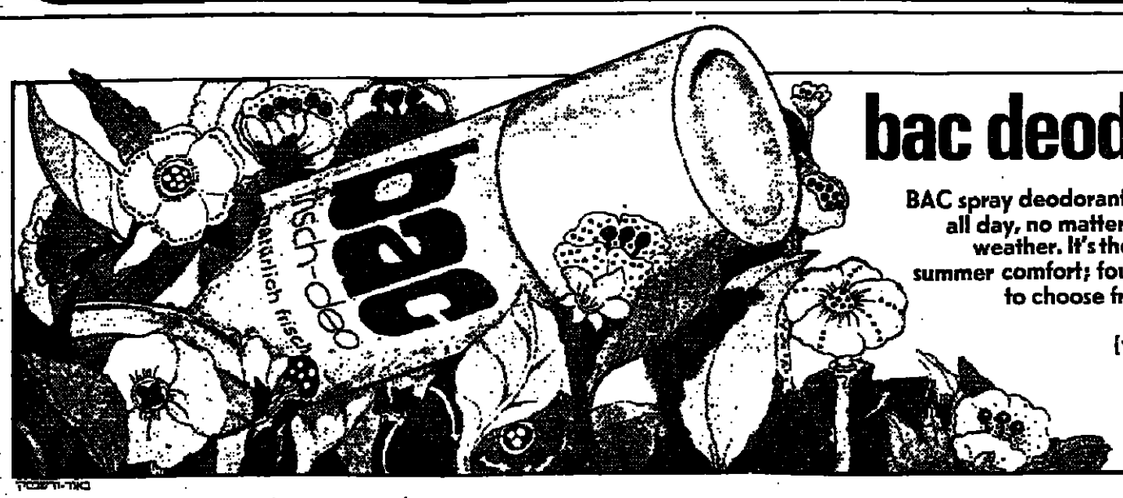

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Women needed to work as 'homemakers'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Matav — an organization which provides home-makers to help families in time of illness or crisis — is itself suffering from a chronic disease; shortage of manpower. The organization held a press conference in Tel Aviv recently in the hope of recruiting more women to work as homemakers.

Tsila Pinkerfeld, national chairman of Matav, explained, "Our last meeting with the press was in 1972 — and for exactly the same reason. We did receive some response then, so we decided to try again. Today, many women are looking for a chance to contribute something to the community, and even though this is paid work it does have an element of volunteer spirit in it."

The women chosen for this "homemaking" work range in age from 30 to 50 and must have at least an elementary education. They are given training courses which include lectures, practical work in hospitals, etc. They are paid IL5.20 an hour plus benefits.

The service is offered to individuals who pay IL7 an hour (with discounts for those who cannot afford the full price), and to patients referred by hospitals, welfare offices, etc.

Generally, the homemaker cares for the patient (washing him, helping him get out of bed and walk, etc.) or for the family and household in a case where the mother is ill. "But this isn't just physical work," Rachel Yair, head of the Tel Aviv branch, hastened to explain. "Often the patients suffer from mental problems, whether as a result of physical disease or of mental disorder, and the homemaker must be prepared to cope with these problems and to help the patient and family face them." Of course, she added, homemakers are constantly supervised by social workers, nurses and the medical staff caring for the patient.

Currently, there are 300 homemakers employed by Matav either on a full-time or part-time basis, 90 of them in the Tel Aviv area. "We have to turn people away because we don't have enough workers to go around," Mrs. Pinkerfeld said. The organization's Tel Aviv address is Rehov Gordon 60, and the telephone number is 235987.

ALUF HERZL SHAFIR EXPLAINS

Army call-up and release are tough jobs to handle

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

WHY are so many young men out of the army while others have served for six or seven months? Can the civilian population still respect and trust the Israeli army, and can soldiers be proud of it, after what happened? These were among the provocative questions which delegates to the B'nai Brith Women's Annual Convention fired at Aluf Herzl Shafir — head of the Personnel and Staff Divisions in the General Staff.

Aluf Shafir had been invited to be guest speaker at the convention luncheon (held in Tel Aviv last Monday) but dispensed with a speech and opened the floor for questions.

In his replies, the general minced no words in his criticism of the Israeli press. "Instead of uniting the people and raising the morale, the newspapers present distorted pictures which add to the public unrest. Often the facts are accurate but are not put in perspective. Certainly there were delays and errors in paying mobilized soldiers. But who else other than the army could have managed to issue 500,000 cheques at the end of the first month when the whole thing was so unexpected?"

Similarly, he contended, critics of the "inequitable division of the burden" of reserve duty are oversimplifying the situation. There are about 60,000 men between the ages of 19 and 39 who are exempt from military service. "We call up about 91 per cent of 18-year-olds each year. In the United States and England, during times of greatest crisis, the number never exceeded 60 per cent."

He admitted that he himself had initially not understood why someone who could get a civilian driver's license should be exempt from military service under Clause 21 (mental deficiency). "The doctors explained to me that driving from Tel Aviv to Petah Tikvah is one thing; driving at the front lines, under pressure and fire, is another."

On an individual basis, he said, "it is obvious that Moshe can be taken from his room in Dizengoff to the Golan Heights to replace Yosef on the tank so that Yosef can come home." But, in practice, when dealing with large masses of men, this is not so easy. Resources, weapons, manpower and other factors must all be coordinated. "It just isn't as simple as it looks."

Aluf Shafir objects strongly to blaming the whole army for an error in judgment made by a few responsible officers. "Those who made a mistake paid for it. You can't blame the whole army for what isn't their fault. Besides, we won a great victory in this war. Despite initial advantages which our enemies enjoyed, we ended the war ten times closer to Cairo than any Egyptian was to Tel Aviv or Jerusalem, and we penetrated further into Syrian territory."

On the issue of a pull-back on the Golan Heights, Aluf Shafir recounted a story he had been told by Minister Bar-Lev. "The minister came to Tel Aviv from the Golan Heights and in the course of the trip he had three different drivers. He asked each of them if we should make concessions to the Syrians. The driver who brought him down from the Golan said 'definitely'; the driver who took him from the military airport into town wasn't sure but the taxi driver in Tel Aviv was adamant and said we shouldn't give an inch."

B'nai Brith Women in Israel have "adopted" the Nahal and border settlements, and the 70 lodges of B.B.W. also help wounded soldiers and the families of casualties. At the luncheon, the Montefiore Lodge of Haifa announced a donation of IL24,000 for this purpose. President Pninah Bor, who recently returned from the United States, announced that American B.B.W. donated almost $4,000 to help B.B.W. of Israel to provide these emergency services.

Council of Jewish women

The International Council of Jewish Women yesterday continued its discussions, which began on Friday. A 10-day series of seminars on Jewish identity, and the ties between women in Israel and the Diaspora will begin today. Twenty representatives from the U.S., Canada, South Africa, England, Australia, France, Switzerland, Mexico and Israel are attending.

The days when the chicken coop and cowshed were just out back on the moshav are numbered, according to long-range plans for Israel moshavim which will separate farm animals from their keepers. (Zev Radovan)

'Super-specialization' on moshavim will separate home and barnyard

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israeli farmers in the 1980s will be lulled to sleep by the click of electronic devices rather than the mooing of cows, according to the forecast of the country's leading settlement expert, Dr. Ra'anan Weitz.

Dr. Weitz, head of the Jewish Agency Settlement Department, said on Friday that Israel's farming villages are on the threshold of a revolutionary era of "super-specialization," in which sophisticated technological devices will enable farmers to achieve spectacular increases in production.

Basic to the new concept is a radical change in the physical planning of farming villages (moshavim) aimed at removing livestock from their traditional place, the backyard of the farmers' residence, and placing them on the fringes of the settlement.

Dr. Weitz, who was addressing the Jerusalem branch of the Association of Architects and Engineers, noted that the early moshavim such as Nahalal were organized so that the homestead — including residence, cowshed and chicken coop — was contiguous to the fields. With the replacement of donkey carts by mechanized transport, villages could be designed with the fields at a considerable distance from the homestead. This resulted in more compact and efficient settlements.

The time has now come, he said, to break up the homestead itself. Separating the livestock area from the residential will be a boon to both. The former will no longer be limited in size within the confines of a residential area, permitting expansion of production to industrial proportions. Instead of 15-20 cows, which he might keep in his backyard, a good farmer would be able to handle 40-60 in the separate livestock area or several thousand chickens or turkeys. Veteran farmers, Dr. Weitz noted, maintain that they must be within earshot of their cows to know when they are ailing, hungry or giving birth. He noted, however, that advanced electronic monitoring devices will permit the farmer to keep closer tabs on his livestock from his home than he presently can in the barnyard. Feeding, milking and other chores will be handled by automation with each cow, for instance, receiving food according to its individual needs. By concentrating all the village's livestock in one area, transportation and other service costs will also be significantly cut. Production on an average family farm would rise from IL40,000-IL50,000 today to IL250,000 in the 1980s, Dr. Weitz predicted.

The residential area freed of the barnyard will be spared noise, dust and odours — nuisances which will grow substantially with the increased number of livestock. The new layout will also permit closer clustering of the houses for defence purposes. Dr. Weitz noted that he has already recommended the new form of village at two locations where defence could be a significant factor — Elad on the Golan Heights and Phasael in the lower Jordan Valley.

ILP opposed by its moshav movement

ASHKELON. — The Oved Hazioni moshav movement, affiliated to the Independent Liberals, is opposing the party on settlement policy in the territories and on the question of a National Unity Government.

Closing their annual conference at Moshav Timorim on Thursday, 120 delegates from 35 moshavim tabled a resolution scoring Tourism Minister Moshe Kol's statement to the conference on Wednesday that he "did not see that it would be a great disaster if, in the interests of peace, one or another settlement were transferred."

Another resolution called for the establishment of a government on as wide a base as possible; this also conflicts with the official Independent Liberal line. (Tsim)

Archbishop Raya defends stand on Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Archbishop Joseph Raya yesterday reaffirmed and defended his view that Jewish sovereignty in Jerusalem should continue.

"I am not a politician and do not deny the historic and religious rights of the Moslems in Jerusalem," he wrote in the latest issue of the monthly publication of the Greek Catholic Church in Israel, "Er-Rabita." "I would strongly condemn any attempt to violate the sanctity of the El Aksa Mosque. But my concern is that the places holy to all religions be preserved and that free access and freedom of religious practice be safeguarded."

The Archbishop then added: "There is no reason to reject continued Jewish sovereignty in Jerusalem as long as the holy places are guarded for all."

His outspoken stand in favour of a united Israeli Jerusalem had drawn criticism from many Moslems.

Peru-Israel accord

LIMA (AP).— Peru and Israel have signed a technical assistance agreement calling for Israel to provide technical services for irrigation projects here. The agreement, signed last week, outlines Israeli cooperation in planning, marketing, and irrigation.

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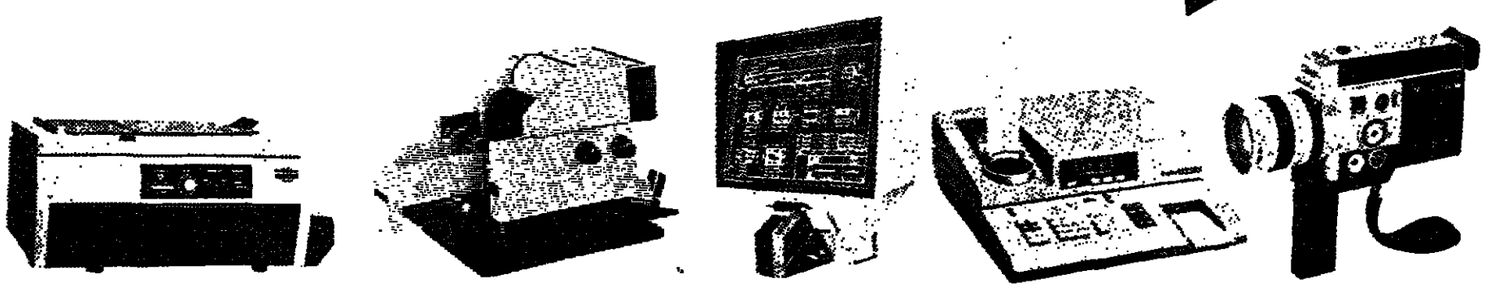

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SPORTS ABROAD

Celtics win basketball championship

By BERNIE BERNIKER

THE Boston Celtics, propelled by Dave Cowens outside shooting and a relentless fast break, beat the Milwaukee Bucks 102-87, on Sunday to win the National Basketball Association championship at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Cowens fired in 28 points for the Celtics, who needed the maximum seven games in the series to clinch their 12th title and their first since 1969.

The Celtics registered three of their four victories on Milwaukee's home court.

The Celtics never trailed, taking a 4-0 lead in the first 15 seconds on a layup by Don Chaney, a steal by John Havlicek and a jumper by Don Nelson. The Bucks managed to tie the score six times in the first quarter but trailed 22-20 after Cowens hit a long jumper one second before the end of the period.

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, who scored 26 points, and reserve Mickey Davis led a Milwaukee comeback that cut a 17-point deficit midway in the third quarter to 71-68 in the first minute of the fourth period.

However, Cowens broke the Bucks' momentum with a running hook shot to touch off a run of eight straight points as the Celtics opened a 79-68 lead with 8:50 to play.

Davis, who scored 13 of his 15 points in the second half, converted a three-point play with just under seven minutes to play, cutting the Celtics lead to 83-76.

But the Bucks could come no closer as Paul Westphal connected for Boston from the side and then fed Jo Jo White for a layup, making it 87-76 with 6:02 to play.

The Celtics earned $215,000 by winning three rounds in the playoffs, including $100,000 for taking the championship series. The Bucks' share of the title round money will be $65,000.

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The New York Nets missed the opportunity to sweep the final round of the American Basketball Association championship Friday night at Salt Lake City, Utah. Leading 3-0 after three games, the Nets were defeated by the Utah Stars 97-89 in a hard fought battle.

Jimmy Jones was high scorer for Utah with 24 points, while Gerald Govan took down 23 rebounds. Julius Erving, the Nets' sensational high scorer, was held to only 18 points.

PRO HOCKEY

Terry Crisp, acquired last year as a defensive specialist and penalty kicker, scored the second of two first-period goals in a 4-1 victory over the Boston Bruins on Sunday in their pro hockey Stanley Cup showdown at Philadelphia.

The victory gave Philadelphia a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven series.

TRACK

Kenya's Ben Jipcho raced to the quickest mile on the International Track Association tour this year, then came back an hour later to capture the two-mile run, as pro track made its debut in Atlanta, Georgia on Friday night.

Jipcho was timed in 4 minutes, 0.6 seconds, bettering the 1974 ITA mark he set earlier when he ran a 4:00.8 in Los Angeles. Dave Wottle was second. He timed in 4:01.3, with Jim Ryun third in 4:03.5.

The world record holder for 3,000 metres then returned for the two-mile run and won in 8:43.8, a comfortable 10 yards ahead of Chuck Labenz, who was clocked in 8:45.0.

TENNIS

At Dallas, Texas, Australia's John Newcombe beat Swedish youngster Bjorn Borg over the weekend to win the world championship tennis title and $50,000 in prize money.

Newcombe, former Wimbleton champion, dropped the first set, but then hit superb form.

Aside from the prize money for the victory, Necombe won a diamond ring, the use of a car for a year and $1,000 dollars worth of clothing for his wife.

Borg made a great start, racing into a 4-0 lead, and at one point in the first set Newcombe double-faulted three times. But the Australian came back strongly after dropping the set, thrilling the capacity crowd and giving Borg little chance of building on his early lead.

Newcombe explained his slow start afterwards by saying: "The ball comes off his racket a little differently from other people." It was the first time the pair met.

U.S. BASEBALL

In the National League, at San Diego, Don Sutton of the Los Angeles Dodgers pitched a one-hitter on Thursday night. It was his third one-hitter of his career as Los Angeles defeated the San Diego Padres, 6-0. The only hit came on a second-inning single by John Grubb. Jim Wynn, also of the Los Angeles Dodgers, hit three home-runs in one game at San Diego on Saturday night as the Dodgers beat the Padres 9-6. It was the first time this season that anyone hit three home-runs in one game. Wynn also took over the National League lead with 11 home-runs.

BOXING

Tony Mundine, the Commonwealth middleweight champion, beat Don Cobbs of the U.S. at Brisbane, Australia, on Friday night. The referee stopped the fight in the sixth round when Cobbs staggered to his corner after being hit with a right to the jaw and going down at two minutes and 23 seconds of the round.

U.S. FOOTBALL

Ken Willard, a leading rusher among the National Football League's running backs, and considered one of the all time great backs was traded by the San Francisco 49ers on Friday to the St. Louis Cardinals in exchange for undisclosed draft choices.

VISITOR'S GALLERY

'Israel should change its retirement age'

FOR years now Dr. Martin Cherkasky has been considered something of a maverick by the medical profession for saying that "matters of health and medicine are too important to be left in the hands of the doctors."

Now, he is crusading in a different direction, saying that "matters of caring for the elderly are too important to be left in the hands of politicians and untrained officials." Even trained officials must view the problem of the elderly not patronizingly from the ivory towers of their own youth — relatively speaking — but from the down-to-earth viewpoints of the oldsters themselves. They should not treat these senior citizens as "objects" of their care, but as full partners who can contribute much of the wisdom and experience they garnered through a life of living.

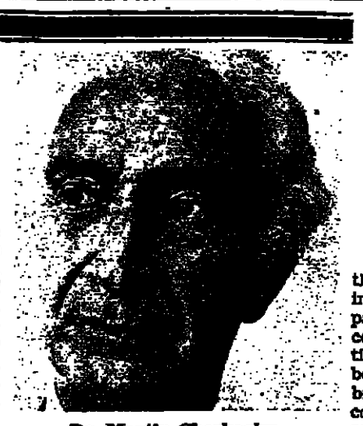
Here recently for the ceremonies attending the establishment of the "Brookdale Institute of Gerontology and Adult Human Development in Israel — Joint Distribution Committee," Dr. Cherkasky says:

"The definition of old age is ridiculous. Take my own personal life as an example. Some three years from now I will be 65 years old. One day before I am 65 I will still be the Medical Director of Montefiore Hospital in New York. The hospital and its complex contains some 2,200 beds; it has 7,000 employees; it has a huge medical staff. One minute past midnight — although I may be in the best of health, at the height of my administrative powers, with a crystal clear mind — I will be an 'old man,' for I will have reached the age of retirement.

"At the stroke of midnight, I will move from one income level to another; I will stop being a productive citizen and become a dependent one. Do you know what this does to a person's self-respect in a work-oriented society? Do you realize the psychological impact this will have on my life?

"Forcing a vigorous person to retire is letting the remainder of his life, good productive years, blow away like dust in the wind."

But Dr. Cherkasky does not intend to let his life — in three years time — blow away like dust in the wind. He may leave his command post at the hospital, but "there is still plenty of good work I can do in this world, and I intend to do it, and I hope to help pave the way for many others to follow in the same general way."



Dr. Martin Cherkasky

And it will be up to the Brookdale Institute to find the actual ways and means to bring this about. In this it should be a trailblazer, for places where such matters are studied are few and far between.

But Dr. Cherkasky has some ideas of his own. Firstly, since "Israel is growing old — if in 1948 there were only four per cent of the people here over 65, there is seven per cent now, and there will be nine per cent in 1990 — it is a bit stupid to make fewer and fewer people provide the funds to take care of more and more."

This is especially true since there is a shortage of workers in Israel.

"Put off the age of retirement as long as possible," he advises. "Don't let people's talents and skills get tossed in the dustbin because they have to retire." Moreover, "an elderly person who works remains physically and mentally healthier for much longer. Why should we force them to quit? It's not only bad for them, but it will cost us a lot of money. Who likes to pay taxes if he doesn't have to? Let them work and ease our tax burden."

MACABEE DEAN

Workers needed for emergencies

Non-working women, youth and pensioners should be trained immediately to work in non-essential concerns in times of emergency — Labour Ministry Director-General Arye Gurel told a meeting of the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council on Friday.

Mr. Gurel noted that up till now "we have been thinking in terms of short wars, but as the October War showed, a more extended emergency period can create serious problems for the economy." He said one way of coping with the situation would be to integrate the 100,000 working-age women, 50,000 youths and 4,000 pensioners into the economy in times of crisis.

He said the experience gained in securing the release of some 5,000 key workers during the recent emergency period should provide the basis for a more efficient working relationship between factory works committees and the army authorities in the future.

La Leche League group here aims to promote breast-feeding

By PAULA HIRTH
Special to The Jerusalem Post

Mother's milk has always been the best all-purpose product on the infant-food market but, for the past three generations, prudery has conspired with female emancipation to replace the breast with a bottle. Now it seems that, at last, bra-burning and breast-feeding are coming to terms, as more and more sophisticated women opt for lactation.

The back-to-the-breast trend owes much of its impetus to La Leche League, which was founded in Chicago in 1956 and derives its name from an old Spanish shrine dedicated to *Nuestra Senora de la Leche y Buen Parto* (Our Lady of Milk and Good Delivery); in 18 years, the league has given rise to over 1,600 groups all over the world, totalling 70,000 members.

Local group

This month a dozen young mothers gathered in Tel Aviv to form an Israeli affiliate of La Leche League International. They plan to meet once a month to swap their nursing experiences and discuss nutrition, weaning, the advantages of breast-feeding, its difficulties and ways to overcome them. Whether or not the new group will find a following here is anybody's guess. Says the group's leader, Mrs. Pnina Shichor: "As nursing mothers, we feel qualified to give practical suggestions of a non-medical nature to women who want to nurse their babies. We are available by telephone to those who wish to talk with an informed mother who is sensitive to the experience associated with nursing. This is especially important at the beginning, when a new nursing mother can most easily be discouraged."

All too often, the discouragement comes from the people who ought to know the answers — that is, doctors and nurses. If the breast-fed baby doesn't gain the prescribed monthly amount, the pediatrician's anxious advice is likely to be "Switch to formula." Nor do the professionals seem to know how to dispel the doubts which frequently plague the new nursing mother: Is her milk rich enough? Is it too rich? Does she have enough milk to nurse? Will nursing spoil the shape of her breasts?

Helpful handbook

To allay such bugbears, La Leche League has published "The Womanly Art of Breast-Feeding," which is selling in the hundreds of thousands; the 166-page handbook aims to restore to the modern woman the natural confidence with which Eve presumably tackled the job of feeding Cain. The book also offers some ardent arguments for breast-feeding which are, on the whole, scientifically supported. For example, colostrum — the fluid secreted before breast milk appears — confers some degree of immunity on infants; breast-fed babies are less prone than bottle-fed babies to skin disorders and serious respiratory infections, and they rarely suffer from constipation. What's more, since it takes greater effort to suck the breast than drain a bottle, the extra exercise tends to develop stronger dental arches and palates.

The mother, too, profits by nursing her baby. For one thing, lactation improves her chances of avoiding breast cancer in later life; it also cause her uterus to contract quickly. And, of course, there is the obvious saving of wear and tear and cost involved in mixing formulas, sterilizing bottles, heating them and waiting till they cool off.

Though not a cure-all, breast milk can be a life-saver. Mrs. Shichor reports the remarkable cases of two Hadera infants who could neither get sufficient milk from their mothers nor tolerate any other nourishment; the babies were hospitalized and dying. Following a radio appeal for human milk, the starvelings were saved by donations from other nursing mothers. This bears out the unromantic fact — demonstrated by the Victorian wet nurse — that, by and large, one mother's milk is as good as another's. More than that, specialists confirm that even women who have never been pregnant can stimulate their breasts to produce milk. For adoptive mothers, this is of particular interest; suckling a foster child starts the milk flow as well as a flow of affection, and eases the abrupt shift into motherhood.

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But, for all the benefits of breast-feeding, there is nothing to gain by building up around it a mystique that might stir guilt feelings in those women who simply cannot nurse their babies, either because of illness or work outside the home. Breast-feeding does not guarantee good mothering any more than "bottling" a baby rules it out. What scores the key point for breast-feeding is its emotional gratification for mother and child; says one member of Tel Aviv's new La Leche affiliate: "My baby and I work as a team — it is a perfect blending of a need and an ability to fulfil that need. How often do you find this sort of thing in any human relationship?"

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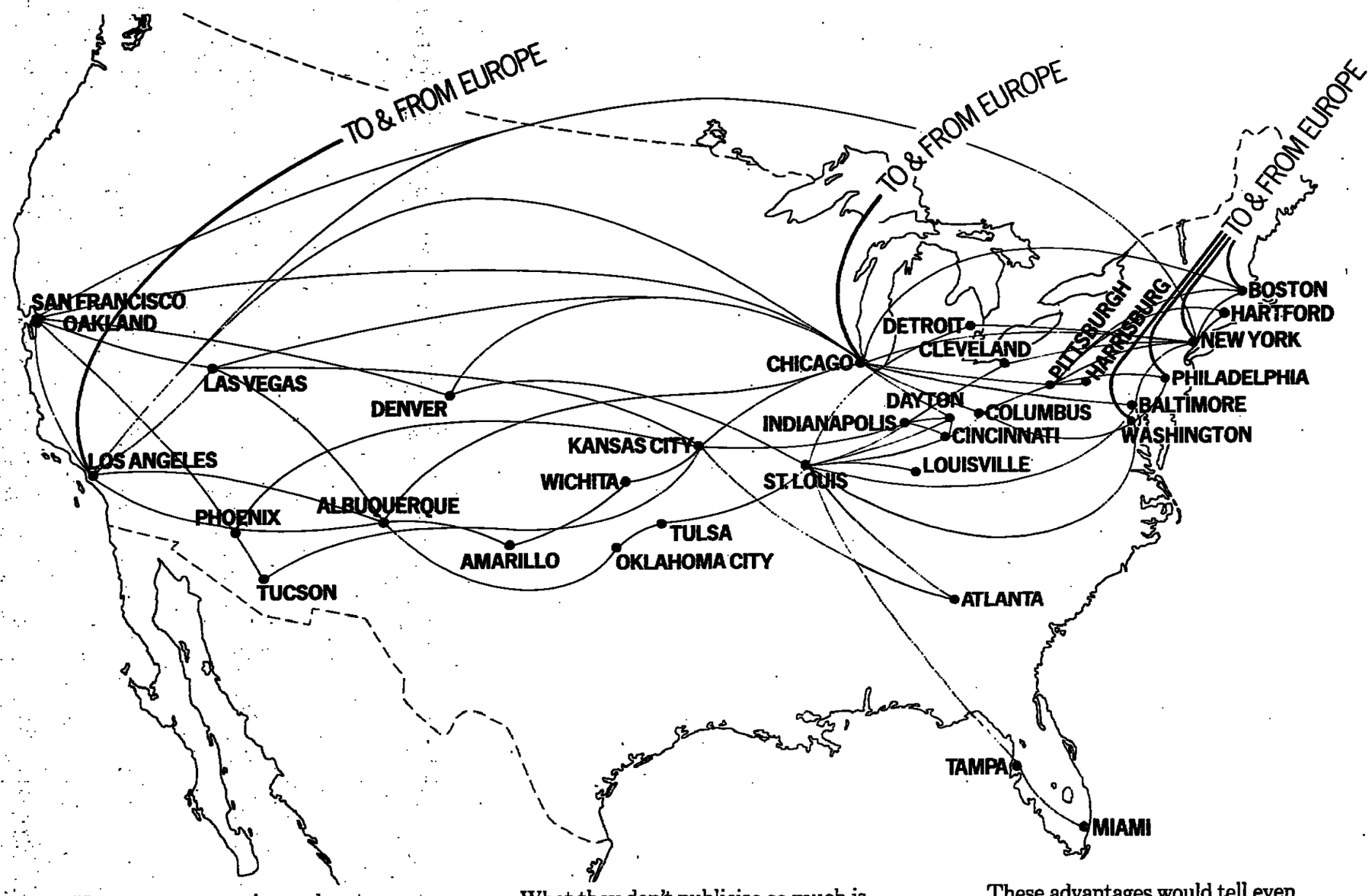

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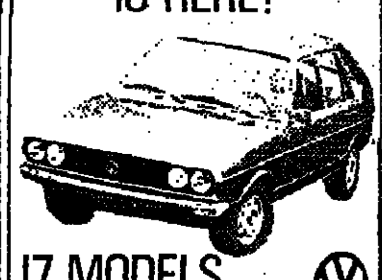
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ARMON — Pete N' Tillie; HADAR — The Day Of The Dolphin; LILI — Phantom In The Jungle; ORDEA — Take it easy Professor; OASIS — Lady Sings The Blues; RAMA — Magnum Force; RAMAT GAN — Blume in Love.

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SHALOM — The Amorous Headmaster; The Monster.

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AMPHITHEATRE — Cat Ballou; ARMON — Live And Let Die; ATZMON — Papillon; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — And Quiet Flows The Don; The Bicycle Thieves/Ballad Of A Soldier; CHEN — The Forbidden Decameron; MIRON — The Night Of The Scorpion; MORIAH — A Virgin's Intimate Diary; ORDAN — Giant; ORAH — The Way We Were; ORION — The Awakening Punch; ORLY — Pete N' Tillie; PEER — Les Assassins De L'ordre; RON — A Touch Of Class; SHAVIT — Groundstar Conspiracy.

ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS

1st Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 1 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. and 7.05 p.m.

2nd Programme: News: Every hour on the hour, except 7 and 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m. 1.05 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.

Galei Zahal: News: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m. 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME

256, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.05 "Musical Delicacies." 9.05 An Hour with Rostropovich. 9.55 English News. 10.05 "The Happy Station" — 700 Years of Musical Comedy — music by Bernstein, Goddard, Weill and Rossini.

10.55 French News. 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools.

12.35 "Choirs."

1.05 "Midday Concert." Corelli: Concerto Grosso in F; Rachmaninov: Corelli-Variations (V. Ashkenazi); Tippett: Concert Fantasy on a Theme by Corelli (Bat Festival Orch. — Tippett conduction).

2.05 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — "Bettering Your Knowledge." 3.30 Literature — Questions and Answers. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.06 "Tunes for Teens." — "The Hunter." 4.55 English News.

5.05 Jazz. 5.55 p.m. French News. 6.05 "People and Figures." 6.55 For the Farmer 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Tehillim, chaps. 35 and 36. 8.05 World of Science.

8.15 "Towards the Concert" — produced by Uri Epstein. 8.30 The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra — direct from the Jerusalem Theatre (Stereo — Stanley Sperber conducting, Gila Yaron, Jacqueline Willens, Jerome Barry — J. Chr. Bach: Motet; J.S. Bach: Cantata No. 209; Buxtehude: Magnificat; Starer: "Ariel" — Cantata, the Chamber Choir of the Rubin Academy in Jerusalem. 11.02 "Post Events."

12.05 A Moment of poetry. 12.08 Close Down. 3.05-5.00 Hebrew songs and tunes. 5.05-6.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME

457, 423, 256, 249, 355 and 349 M.

5.05 Hebrew Songs and Tunes. 5.35 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.25 Hebrew songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.45 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.

1.05 p.m. "At Midday" 2.10 From Pop to Inclusive" — ed. by Rivka Michaeli. 3.05 Requests — Oriental Songs. 3.55 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew 4.06 "Hebrew Edition." 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 "Hebrew Edition." 5.05 "From Me Mani" — with Mani Peer. 6.05 "Songs on One Theme." 6.45 Today's sport. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "It's Close to my Heart." 10.05 "Public Opinion." 11.02 "Tonight." 11.15 I'm yours and you're mine." 1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

5.30 News. 5.32 Service Broadcast. 5.42 Science Series. 6.10 A short film with Charles Chaplin. 6.20 "My friends all over the world" — Hong Kong. 8.00 Morasha. 8.30 Mabat. 9 "MacMillan and Wife." 10.15 Moked. 11 News. 11.10 Service Broadcast.

Educational: 9.05 Maths. 7. 10.00 English 9. 10 English 6. 10.45 For Kindergarteners. 11 Geometry 9. 11.25 English 7. 12.00 English 12.20 English 8. 1.00 Technology 9. 1.40 Ph 4.00 A page from a book. 4.14 Documentary. 4 Discussion.

Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 Songs. 7.00 Family Magazine. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME

445 M.

6.58 p.m. Opening 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Mograbi. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Russian 9.00 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
4.55 p.m. (1st programme).
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES

7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.35 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).

1st Programme — 256, 522 and 221 M.
4th Programme — 407, 445 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) — 16, 19, 25, 21, 31 and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL

5.58 Morning Prayer 6.05 Morning Tunes. Programme trailer 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 8.30 Morning tunes (cont.). 9.05 Requests. 9.55 "There are problems." 10.05 Requests. 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11 Warm and Tasty. 11.55 Tamar Maroz suggests. 12 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 Warm and Tasty. 1.25 Reminds Me" with Hanna Zemer. 1.35 Warm and Tasty.

1.55 p.m. Announcements. 2.05 "Two till Four" with Gila Almagor. 4.05 Please Call. 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. Programme Trailer. 6.05 "From the War." "From Her to You" — with Edna Peer. 8.05 Song Corner. 8.30 Jazz. 9.05 "Radio-Stage" Let's Talk — with Nathan Donewitz. 11.55 "Midnight Talk." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 "Night Birds" 3.05 Tunes in the night.

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Required Qualifications: The applicant must be a graduate of a School for Social Work with 6 years' work experience, or graduate of a special guidance course. Ability to guide workers both individually and in groups. Grade will be in accordance with qualifications and personal considerations.

2. 6 Social Workers for Child and Youth care

Required Qualifications: The applicant must be a graduate of a School for Social Work or qualified for social work. Graduates of the faculties of Psychology, Sociology and Education will also be considered. Grade will be in accordance with the applicant's qualifications.

3. Worker with Street Gangs

Required Qualifications: The applicant must be a graduate of a School for Social Work or qualified for social work. Graduates of the faculties of Psychology, Sociology and Education will also be considered. Grade will be in accordance with the applicant's qualifications.

4. Community Worker

Required Qualifications: The applicant must be a graduate of a School for Social Work or qualified for social work, preferably with experience in the field of community work. Grade will be in accordance with the applicant's qualifications.

Applications should be sent to the Town Clerk, Ashkelon, P.O.B. 9001 until May 22, 1974.

مكتبة الأصول

BUSINESS & FINANCE

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Market turns irregular

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The stock market turned irregular yesterday, with financials falling, but industrials rising.

For example, Moller, which for the past two days has been "buyers only," yesterday rose by 30.5 points to 238, but with a small turnover of only 12,000. Elco rose by 2.5 to 109 (80,000 turnover); and Argaman ordinary rose by five to 350 with a turnover of 21,000.

Among the financials which fell were Mizrahi by one point to 138 with a turnover of 109,000, and IDB by two to 244 with a turnover of 88,000.

The turnover in stocks was IL3,441,200; of this, IL1,660,200 was in the variables.

Index-linked bonds fell slightly; dollar-linked bonds were firm. The turnover in bonds was IL9,464,800.

The Natad dollar remained at IL4.62, with a turnover of $130,000.

		13.5.74	12.5.74
DEBENTURES			
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR			
8% Dead Sea Junior	r	238	236.5
6% Electric Corp A	r	133.5	133.5
6% Electric Corp B	r	142.5	142.5
LINKED to the G.E.I. INDEX (Principal & Interest)			
Elite 1965, Index 110.1	b	315	315
Bitahon 1968, Series 41	b	141	141.8
Bitahon 1969, Series 41	b	264.4	264.4
COMMERCIAL BANKS & BANKHOLDING COMPANIES			
Otsar Hityashvut	r	237	239
I.D.B. pref.	r	373	376
I.D.B. Bankholding	r	224	226
Union Bank	r	303	303
Israel British Bank	b	347	347
Discount Bank "A"	r	517	520
United Mizrahi Bank	b	138	139
Bank Hapoalim — 10%	b	298	298
Bank Leumi "A"	r	359	360
MORTGAGE BANKS			
Gen. Mortgage Bank	b	256	253.5
Carmel Mortg. & Inv.	b	200.5	199
Bank Binyan	b	260	260.6
Dev. & Mortg. Bank	b	273	275
Housing Mortg. Bank	b	186	186.5
Tefahot 8%	b	278.5	278.5
Tefahot	b	277	277.5
SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			
Ind. & Dev. Bank 8%	r	70	70
Hassneh Insurance	b	266	267
Sahar — "C"	b	343	345
COMMERCIAL SERVICES & UTILITIES			
Motor House	b	87.5	89.5
Delek C	r	190	191
Cold Storage—IL10	r	220	220
Israel Electric Corp.	r	64	64.5
Lighterage & Supply	r	194	191
LAND, BUILDING DEVELOPMENT AND CITRUS			
Azorim	r	203	203
Africa Israel 10	r	351	353
Isr. Land Dev.	b	198	198
Solel Boneh 10%	b	144	145
Property & Build.	r	251	251
Isras	b	182	181.5
Mehadrin	r	208	203
I.C.P. for Citrus	b	96	97
Anglo-Isr. Investors	b	175	176
Neot Aviv	r	102.5	102
Pri Or Ltd.	r	194	192
Rassco—5%	r	100	100.5
Rassco—O.	r	77	78
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	489	489
Elco—2.5	b	109	106.5
Electra—5	r	247	247
"Argaman"—8%	b	350	347
"Ata"—C	r	134.5	134.5
Dubek	b	460	460
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	222.5	224
Teva	b	1185	1171
Chem. & Phosphates	r	111.5	111
Lewin Epstein	b	69.5	70
Moller Textile	r	207.5	207.5
Phoenicia—8%	b	112	111
Paper Mills	r	317	317.5
Assis "B"	r	247	245
Nechushtan	b	450	450
Shemen—8%	b	135.5	134.5
"Paal" Plywood	b	262	260
Elite (A)		327	316
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	95	100
Ellern	b	207.5	205.5
Israel Central Trade	r	199.5	199.5
Bank Hapoalim	b	237.5	237.5
Pax	b	104	105
Wolfson IL10	b	113.5	114
Ampa	r	131	135
Discount Bank	b	348.5	348.5
United Mizrahi	b	121	121
Bank Leumi	r	230	230
Piryon Investment	r	113	113
Hassuta—For. Trade	r	112	112
Export Bank	b	82	82.5
Clal Investment	r	200	192
Clal Industries	r	194	193.5
FUEL & OIL			
Naphta OTC	r	90	90
Lapidoth OTC	r	178	178

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WALL STREET

Closing Monday, May 13, 1974

Drowsy market session

NEW YORK (AP). — Prices slipped in a drowsy session on the stock market yesterday.

At the close the Dow Jones average of 30 industrials was down 1.85 at 845.59, and losers were just about triple the number of gainers. Trading was light.

Brokers said the market continued to be affected by very high interest rates, which have acted as a steady drain on activity in stocks for about two months. Credit analysts reported there was no sign of an easing in the interest-rate spiral.

IBM dipped almost four points after the U.S. Supreme Court let stand a lower court's ruling requiring IBM to disclose documents sought by the government in its anti-trust case against the giant computer manufacturer.

Airco Inc	12¾	Colum Pict	2⅞	Int Paper	—	Revere Cop	—
Alcan Alu	45¾	Con Edis	7¾	Int T & T	—	Reyn Ind	—
Allied Ch	33	Cont Can	25	John Man	—	Reyn Met	—
Allied Str	8⅞	Cont Oil	38⅛	John Joh	—	Rockwell Int	—
Allis Chal	49¾	Cont Tel	18¾	Jon Lau	19¾	Royl D	—
Alcoa	9¾	Cont Data	30	Kais Alum	22½	Russ Tog	—
Am Airlin	24⅝	Corning	—	Kaun Cop	35⅞	Safeway	—
Am Bdcst	27⅝	CPC Intl	—	Koppers	50½	Schering	—
Amer Can	23⅞	Crane Co	23	Libb O Fd	35¾	Scott Pap	—
A Cyan	40¼	Crown Cork	28	Liggt My	30	Sears Roe	—
A Home	45¾	Crwn Zell	35½	Litton Ind	8½	Shell Oil	—
A Mtl Ctx	6⅞	Dan River	8⅝	Lockheed	4⅝	Singer Co	—
Amer Mot	22⅝	Deere Co	38¼	LTV Corp	9⅜	Smits KF	—
A Smelt R	13⅝	Dist Seag	40¼	Macy RH	15½	Sony	—
Am Stand	46⅞	Dow Chem	63⅝	Magnovox	5¼	South Ry	—
Amer T & T	47⅛	Dress Ind	42¼	Mfrs Han	2⅝	Sperry Rnd	—
AMF Inc	—	Dupont	174¼	Marath	37⅞	St Brands	—
Ampex	27½	East Airlns	6¼	Marcor	25½	St Oil Cal	—
Anaconda	30½	E Kodak	104	Marsh Fd	13⅞	St Oil Ind	—
ARA Ltd	34½	Eaton	29	Martin Mar	16⅛	St Oil Oh	—
Atl Rich	—	El Paso NG	12¼	Matsush	16⅝	Sterl Drug	—
Avco	—	ESB	21¾	McDon D	16	Stu War	—
Beckman	—	Esmark	28½	Merck	81½	Sun Oil	—
Bell How	—	Exxon	77½	Minn MM	72⅝	Teledyne	31½
Bendix	—	Fair Cam	53½	Mobil Oil	44	Tenneco	22¼
Benguet	—	Firestone	17	Monogm	5⅜	Texaco	26⅝
Beth Stl	—	Fluor Cp	—	Monsan	67	Texas Gulf	34½
Boeing Co	—	Fd Fair	7¼	Moor McCor	16⅝	Texas Instru	109¼
Bois Cas	—	Ford Mot	50⅝	Morgan J	60⅝	Textron	21½
Borg War	—	Gen Dynam	24⅝	Nabisco	6½	Transwair	9⅝
Braniff	—	Gen Elect	48⅝	Nat Distil	15½	TriCon	21⅛
Brist My	—	G Fds Corp	23¾	Nat Cash R	5⅜	TRW Inc	17¼
Brunswick	16⅝	Gen Mills	53¼	Nat Indust	13⅞	Twent Cent	6¼
Burl Ind	24¾	Gen Mot	47⅞	Nowest Air	24⅝	UAL Inc	28½
Burroughs	103½	Gn Tel El	28⅝	Occ Pet C	9⅞	Unil Ltd	—
Camp Sp	35½	Gen Tire	14⅝	Olin Corp	15	Unil NV	—
Cdn Pac	14½	Genesco	6⅞	Otis Elev	6⅝	Un Carbide	42⅝
Canal R	—	Georgia	41¾	Owen Ill	9	Unit Aircraft	8½
Castle Cke	13½	Getty O	127¼	Pac Gs El	22¼	Uniroyal	29
Cater Tr	61½	Gillette	33¾	Panam W A	—	Unit Brands	7
Celanese	—	Goodrie	23	Penn Centri	2	US Indust	7⅝
Cerro Cp	—	Goodyr	17¼	Pepsi Co	54½	US Steel	45⅝
Chase Manh	15½	W R Grace	24⅞	Pfizer	—	US Tobac	15
Chem NY	41½	Grt A & P	13⅝	Phelps D	—	UV Ind	24
Chessie Sys	—	Gulf Oil	21⅛	Phil Morr	—	War Lam	2½
Chrysler	—	Gulf Wn	25	Phil Petro	—	Wells Far	20⅝
Citicorps	16½	Hew Pack	35⅝	Polaroid	—	Wn Un	12
Cities Svc	6½	Honeywel	76⅝	Proct GM	—	Westg Elec	15¼
Coca-Cola	41⅝	Howmet	15⅝	Qukr Oat	—	Weyerhs	42⅝
Colg Pal	107½	IBM	221½	Rabyston M	—	Woolworth	17
CBS	26⅝	Int Harv	—	Ralston P	—	Xerox Co	114⅝
Coln Gas	23¾	Int Nickel	—	RCA	—	Zenith Rad	24½

First Int'l reports headway

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THE long-awaited balance sheet of the First International Bank of Israel shows that this concern, established by unifying several of our smaller banks, and controlled by foreign investors, is making headway.

F.I.B.I. started operations at the end of September, 1972, when it took over the Foreign Trade Bank and the Export Bank. After a year, F.I.B.I. Holding, the bank's parent company, also acquired control (74 per cent) of the Industrial Bank.

At the end of December last, the group's consolidated balance sheet amounted to IL2b., including IL138m. of share capital, notes and reserves, IL934m. of public deposits, and over IL1b. of loans outstanding, of which IL600m. was from own resources. Modest though these figures are compared with those of the "big three" banking concerns, one must bear in mind that the comparison should be confined to operations in this country, because F.I.B.I does not as yet engage in banking abroad. Also, the ratio of its own means to balance sheet total is relative high, giving it a leeway for further expansion.

A comparison of the bank's own balance sheet with those of the two banks it took over shows an increase of more than 40 per cent over a period of 15 months. Most of this was due to the increment in own means provided by the new shareholders and the government, and to additional deposits for granting loans. As a result, the amount of credits outstanding more than doubled (including a rise by 80 per cent in credits from the bank's own means).

In its credit activity the bank pays particular attention to the needs of industrial borrowers and exporters. Preparations are under way to start financing the diamond industry, and a branch is to be opened shortly in the Diamond Exchange. The group is also about to launch — jointly with Commercial Credit Corporation (a Control Data subsidiary) — a company for leasing equipment to approved enterprises. This Industrial Leasing Service will have an initial capital of $10m.

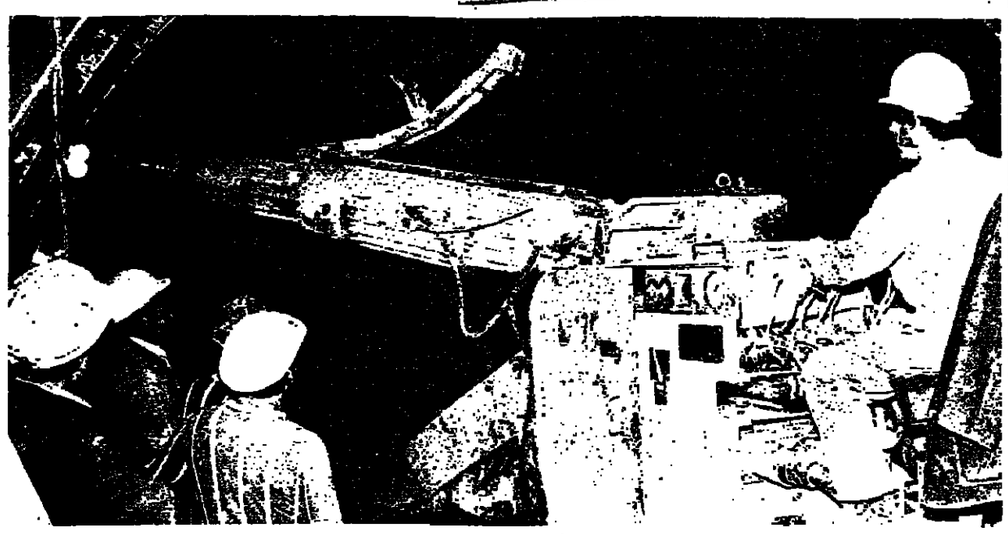
The bank's after-tax profit amounted to IL8.2m., i.e. over 30 per cent of its share capital, over a period of a year and aquarter. The group's net profit was IL8.8m., i.e. 27 per cent of its average paid-up share capital over that period, but this does not include the profit which accrued to Industrial Bank before it was taken over. The company was able therefore to distribute a cash dividend to the tune of IL5.3m. (16 per cent) while transferring IL3.4m. to reserves.

Industrial plants for the Golan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The kibbutz industries are planning to set up a number of industrial plants in the Golan during the coming year, Dan Carmon, the co-ordinator of the Association of Kibbutz Industries, said yesterday.

At a press conference here yesterday Mr. Carmon added that during the 1972-73 agricultural fiscal year (from September to August 31), the kibbutz industries had registered sales of IL1,125m. During the same period, the kibbutz's earnings from agriculture were IL1,140m. Mr. Carmon said that by next year the kibbutz industries might for the first time be earning more than agriculture.



CHANNEL TUNNEL. — Two tunnels are being constructed at Shakespeare Cliff, Dover, to give access to the base of the cliff. From the base work will start later this year on the actual 51-kilometre long tunnel system to link Folkestone, England, with Calais, France. Shown here is a mechanical rotating digging machine. (UPI)

BILL WOULD REGULATE ACTIVITIES OF BANKS

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Although procedural wrangles are holding up the Bank of Israel's draft Banking Law, there does not seem to be any objection of substance, so far, to its contents.

A month ago, Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir asked the Minister of Justice, Haim Zadok, to formulate a new Bill — in place of the obsolete Banking Ordinance, which dates back to Mandatory times. *This request was made despite the fact that a Bill with 200 clauses and six schedules has already been drawn up by the central bank, after years of preparation and careful study.*

Mr. Sapir's point is that legislation can only be submitted to the Knesset by the responsible Cabinet Minister or the Minister of Justice. The Minister responsible for the Bank of Israel is the Finance Minister. The bank does not query this view. But observers point out that, as concerns Mr. Zadok, he was (before his recent appointment to the Cabinet) a member of the bank's Advisory Council, and is therefore thoroughly familiar with the provisions of the Bill.

It deals with only part of the operations that belong to the central bank — that part which comes under the control of the Examiner of Banks: the commercial banking system. It lays down rules of conduct for the country's banks, stating what they are required to do, permitted to do, and banned from doing.

A bank must stick exclusively to financial business. It cannot invest in land or real estate, the Bill says. The depositor's money has to be used for the bank's intended activity — making loans, which includes the purchase of bonds.

Any purchase of shares, even in another financial institution, must be done out of the bank's own capital. In other words, the bank can buy stock up to the sum of its own equity, and no more. An exception will probably be made to allow for a fund of securities that the banks need to keep for trading purposes, as brokers on the stock exchange.

The investment of own capital is itself subject to limitations. Certain branches of the economy are subject to extreme price fluctuations, and attract speculators. A bank may not buy more than 15 per cent of any company in such a branch (that is, it cannot acquire control). The prohibited branches are listed in the Second Schedule of the Bill. They comprise land holding, land development, oil prospecting, oil production, and film production.

This list can be altered at the Bank of Israel's decision, according to the bank's Legal Adviser, Dr. Arnold Lozowick. Interviewed by *The Jerusalem Post* last week, he said: "If oil is found in Israel one day, and shares in the industry *become a good solid stock*, then oil production will probably cease to be a prohibited branch."

The Bill limits the rights of "interested parties" to exploit the bank which they control (by using its resources for their own personal advantage). This has been a major cause of the several bank closures that have occurred in Israel.

Interested parties are companies owning 10 per cent or more of the bank's shares. The bank may invest up to five per cent of its capital in these "mother" companies. Phrased another way, 95 per cent of the bank's capital must be placed elsewhere, and not in undertakings which are substantial holders of the bank's own stock.

A limitation also applies to companies in which the bank's shareholders have a controlling interest. The bank may not invest more than one-fifth of its capital in such "sister" firms.

As concerns loans to interested parties (people owning 10 per cent of the bank, or their close relatives), the bank may not grant preferential terms, e.g., a lower interest-rate, or a larger advance than is normal, or a longer repayment period; nor may the bank take inadequate collateral.

This set of rules does not apply to the Histadrut sector, the Bill stipulates. Bank Ha'Poalim, for example, which belongs to the Histadrut, may invest in Histadrut enterprises without the above limitations, although the enterprises may be seen as "interested parties." But they cannot be suspected of seeking illicit private gain, Lozowick points out.

The next section deals with the insurance of deposits. Banks will pay a premium to a Deposit Insurance Institute, owned by the Bank of Israel (which will supply its capital). In return, members of the public will find their deposits insured against a possible failure of the bank, up to a maximum IL25,000 per deposit. The objective is to protect the small client.

Finally, the Bill contains two sections that do for bank customers what the Fair Trade Practices Bill, now under consideration in the Knesset, does for shop customers. The bank is obliged to render certain services, that is, to receive deposits, open accounts (if the account is in credit), receive securities for safe-keeping, and convert currencies (into or out of Israel pounds).

The bank must make known what are its services, and how much they cost. This is particularly important in the field of credit and loans. The Bill requires that the bank make it clear to the borrower just how much interest per annum he is paying.

The bank is obliged to keep its clients' accounts secret against all prying — except that done by any public agency (such as the courts of justice or the tax authorities) that is specially authorised by the law to seek and get information.

MUSIC

YOHANAN BOEHM

Pleasant sounds at the Khan

DAHLIA Atlas, the founder and permanent conductor of the Haifa Chamber Orchestra (recently renamed the "Israel Pro-Musica Orchestra") apparently shares problems with other, similar organisations: one cannot keep ambitious musicians for long on a shoe-string budget, and, with ever-changing membership, one cannot develop a company of character. Very few of the faces on the stage of the Jerusalem Khan on Saturday night seemed familiar to this critic, but otherwise nothing much has changed. The conductor moves gracefully and makes nice music sound pleasant. The strings perform with generally satisfying precision and unanimity of purpose. The programme contained only music of a harmonious and melodic nature: a Concerto grosso (opus 6, no. 6, in g minor) by Handel; Haydn's Violin Concerto in C Major, and the Serenade for Strings, opus 22, in E Major, by Dvorak — no problems for the listeners, and hardly any for the players. Thus it was all relaxing and friendly, no complicated rhythms, no irritating harmonic freedoms, no psychological or intellectual questions raised — no aleatory or electronic devices reflecting contemporary trends. Perhaps one should be grateful for starting another week on these notes of Handel, Haydn and Dvorak.

Yair Kless was good in the solo passages of the Handel Concerto grosso — clean, precise, reliable; but the same qualities projected on the solo part in the Haydn Violin Concerto were not equally satisfying. The rather naive musical idiom requires some more personal, individual participation and comment to awake interest. Aided by the very good acoustics of the Khan, the strings in general sounded fresh and rich, though more differentiation of dynamic shading would have added further pleasure, as contrasts are needed to keep music stimulating. Continual rose-coloured sweetness can be quite boring after a while.

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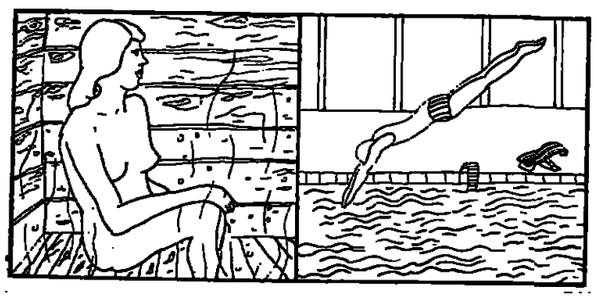

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SETTLERS IN KUNEITRA

THE shelling was heavy on the Golan front yesterday, which may be a sign that the Syrians want a disengagement of forces rather than a continuation of the present situation. Our own response has been heavier too at times during the past week, and it is a sign that we want disengagement but are not prepared to accept the Syrian terms, that we are, in fact, prepared to speak a different language if Dr. Kissinger's powers of persuasion, great as they are, prove insufficient.

The Syrians have announced hopefully that President Nixon is in a spot and urgently needs a diplomatic success in the Middle East: let Dr. Kissinger press Israel to get it. We think that if the U.S. needs a diplomatic success more urgently even than we seek peace, then they will have to convince the Syrians that the danger of another war on the Syrian front looms too large to compromise on Israel's military position.

That does not mean, however, that we need take so pessimistic a view of the situation at this moment as to assume that there will be no disengagement, not now and not later, and that we may not find ourselves committed to carry out the offers of withdrawal made by the government. These include the better part of the town of Kuneitra, which was deliberately left empty since 1967. This was done on the supposition that there would be peace, or some form of agreement in due course, and that in such an event Kuneitra would go back to its original inhabitants. For any group to set up house there now, in the middle of the negotiations, as a nucleus for a new settlement, is in fact a crazy procedure. If there is a disengagement of forces, Kuneitra will presumably be returned, as proposed. If there is no progress, the town is likely to be uninhabitable.

No move was apparently made to stop or discourage the would-be settlers. They have settled inside the Israel perimeter, and their intention is obviously by their presence to help strengthen the other settlements strung out in a thin line along the 1967 border, and endangered more than ever by the likelihood of having the line shifted nearer their homes. These settlers have been promised that they are within the zone Israel claims for its security from the kind of attack from Syria that was suffered continuously until 1967, and that they will remain. They seemed in good heart as they demonstrated outside the Prime Minister's office throughout yesterday. Except for a small Mapam counter-demonstration, they met with no opposition.

Up to the present time the government seems to be standing up well to the pressures to which it is being subjected from various sides; more particularly when it is considered that it is in fact a caretaker government which has formally resigned. Nobody will assume that its decisions were influenced by the presence of the demonstrators — as opposed to the validity of their claims which are perfectly well known.

Over the weekend we had demonstrations "for peace" in Tel Aviv, and the partisan-style attempt at settlement in Kuneitra is only another part of the present trend to rule by demonstration. Beyond a certain point, it can lead only to counter-demonstration, violence and chaos.

YERUHAM MESHEL DESCRIBES HIS POLICIES

'Anyone thinking the Histadrut isn't independent is in for a surprise'

By Mark Segal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A NEW STYLE is making itself apparent at the Histadrut headquarters in Tel Aviv's Rehov Arlosoroff. More than anything it reflects the contrasting personalities of the new Secretary-General, Yeruham Meshel, and his predecessor, Yitzhak Ben-Aharon.

During Ben-Aharon's term the Histadrut was always in the news, usually as a result of his increasingly bitter polemics with the Government and his own Labour Party colleagues. His speeches always crackled with radical ideas, based on the pre-State premise of the Histadrut as a major stepping-stone in a political career. But Ben-Aharon's personal charm and oratorical talents were invariably submerged by his choleric temperament, and the kibbutz ideologue found himself in the lonely role of maverick. Moreover, his presentation of an ordinary strike as a far-reaching episode in the class struggle made him appear irrelevant to most people and planted him firmly on the left of the Labour mainstream. In the end he managed to manoeuvre himself out into the cold.

Yeruham Meshel, in contrast, is the trade unionist *par excellence*, rising through the union ranks since he came here four decades ago, and beginning as a building worker in Tel Aviv. One of the organizers of the fledging national trade unions, he experienced hunger strikes and unemployment during the Depression years, then organized Jewish workers in British Army camps in World War II. As head first of the industrial workers division and then of the trade union department at Histadrut head offices, Meshel has played a major role in guiding organized labour's fortunes, and in handling the transition of the labour force from an undeveloped economy to a highly-complex occupational structure.

Unlike Ben-Aharon, Meshel has no national, top-level political ambitions but he did well as Labour caucus whip in the Histadrut Executive and as No. 2 Federation man under Ben-Aharon. Thus the more viable situation of the No.1 Histadrut job being held by the top man in the Histadrut Labour faction has been restored. But the main advantage enjoyed by Meshel is his long-standing talent for team work as opposed to the lone-wolf character of his predecessor.

His motto might perhaps be: co-operation rather than confrontation. His personal attributes of affability and preference for low-key discussions should keep tempers and temperatures down in our complicated labour relations field.

Meshel is typical of his trade union comrades in his pragmatic approach and in his modest life-style, which is in glaring constrast with the much higher living standard of the Histadrut managerial class, whose executives are — in theory — subject to. Meshel in his capacity as Chairman of Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company.

As the 60-year-plus Histadrut Secretary-General told me: "I am not geared to work as a one-man outfit. All my life I have been part of a team. I do not believe that anyone can succeed otherwise."

He is setting his sights on formulating a programme that is workable and on forming a team that can put it into effect. "I like to consider whether each step can be implemented before I adopt it. I set myself a challenge to get things going, and I certainly won't blame anyone else if I fail — it is so much easier to blame others, whether the party or the government, for one's own failing. But I will insist on each member of the Histadrut Central Committee bearing full responsibility for his duties. I am all for teamwork, and like an orchestra conductor, I don't like dissonance. For me comradeship has always been of great value but I do not allow it to stand in the way of getting things done properly. I want to make a clear differentiation between a personal quarrel and a conflict over matters of principle."

Permission not required

Asked how he envisaged Government-Histadrut relations, Meshel said the Government must always remember that the Histadrut is an independent organization. "We do not require permission to formulate our position in respect to taxation and fiscal policies, and all other issues concerning wage-earners and socio-economic developments." He cited the example of the professional unions' complaints about Finance Ministry intentions to tax textbook allowances. "I advised them not to strike, and told them that if they are in the right, we should conduct their fight. The Histadrut has in-

deed taken the matter up and I am sure that we can find common ground with the Finance Minister and his officials. But if we do not, then the struggle will be the Histadrut's own."

As far as wage policy is concerned, Meshel speaks of asking the national unions to expedite their negotiations: "I do not want a repetition of the situation obtained two years ago when the later the bargaining process was finished the more they got."

Won't hesitate

As far as his personal style is concerned, he said he wanted to make one thing very clear: "I don't want anyone to think that because I believe in courtesy and moderate language I shall be less firm when it comes to just demands. I dislike raised voices, but I will not hesitate to oppose what I think is unjust — and that goes for whether I am talking to Cabinet Ministers or rank-and-file trade unionists."

He favoured cultivating close relations between the Labour Alignment men in the Cabinet and those in the Histadrut, and put forward the novel idea of creating a common party forum where Ministers and Histadrut leaders could discuss policy. Meshel wanted such a forum to be much more than the Alignment's economic affairs committee. He spoke of a small, permanent forum of Ministers and Histadrut "Cabinet" members. "But it has to be clearly understood that the Histadrut is independent. Anyone thinking otherwise is in for a surprise. I would want such a forum to consider basic issues like health insurance, social welfare policies, prices and subsidies." Meshel says, stressing that at no time must such a forum be seen as replacing the independent policy-making functions of either the Government or the Histadrut. "We need no secret agreement and arrangements. We have to strive to find the common denominator. But it would be quite wrong to think, that such a joint party forum could dictate operative policies to the Histadrut. I envisage it producing guide-lines to both party caucuses in the Cabinet and in the Histadrut. It should say what we are going to do, but not how we intend doing it."

Meshel is still busy setting up his new team, and still in the first glow of the congratulations reaching him. This modest man was touched by the flow of messages and gained special encouragement from the warmly-worded message sent to his home by Premier Golda Meir together with a huge bouquet of roses. Messages also reached him from friendly trade union leaders all over the world. He has already accepted for later this year invitations for official visits to the trade unions of Scandinavian countries, the British TUC and the West German DGB. This is one aspect of his intention to expand Histadrut international relations, a department he has also taken over.

Considering the implications for the Histadrut of the war and its aftermath, Meshel believed the General Federation emerged well from that challenging period. From the first day of war, they considered it their prime duty to see to it that the home front took proper care of the soldiers and their families. "We wanted the fighting men to know that their families had not been abandoned. We insisted on having their jobs kept open for the men at the front, and we mobilized our mutual aid services for the families. We also saw to it that temporary jobs were available for anyone left out of work. I believe that the men appreciated our concern. I feel I can safely say that we did our bit to avoid any barriers between the mobilized men and the home front," he says.

A heightened sensitivity to equality — or rather inequality — emerged from the war, and Meshel speaks of "new social norms" having crystallized. Thus the Histadrut was now insisting that the Government mould its taxation policies to obviate profiteering. He also believes that the public expects a more obvious personal example in living standards, especially among the managerial class in the public sector.

His immediate programme will lead off with more emphasis on improving the lot of consumers and greater emphasis on community work especially in urban working class districts. While praising the Histadrut economic sector for its first-class work, Meshel believes it must be judged by two criteria — whether it sets an example in labour relations, and "what the Histadrut product means to the consumer." If it should emerge that Hamashbir Latzarkan — for example — does not set the tone in prices and quality, then it will not have fulfilled its reason for existing. However, he cautioned, "I have yet to receive data; so far, all I do know is that people in various parts of the country ask us to control prices in Hamashbir stores." He considers it the duty of Hamashbir to be regulatory as far as prices are concerned, and that includes all Histadrut marketing agencies and outlets.

Protecting consumer

A prime aim in his initial period will be to introduce reforms in the producer-consumer network. To this end, Meshel is setting up a watchdog mechanism based on the established Consumer Authority, and is putting the former Egged chairman, Israel Gill, in charge. It will be his function to reform distribution and streamling marketing, not to speak of quality-control, and so bring down prices. Meshel wants to cut out the disproportionate percentages taken by middle-men in Israel's complex marketing structure. He mentions that whenever he visits his twin sister at her kibbutz home it annoys him to learn how little the farmers get for produce as compared to retail prices. "If people pay such high prices and the farmers get such a small income, then something is wrong in the marketing process," he says. Meshel adds: "In Israel we have managed to achieve the impossible but not the possible. We have built up a magnificent army, we have managed to absorb immigrants and redeem the desert and revive an ancient language — but we have not managed to cut the price of food."

His next priority will be community and neighbourhood work. "I want to find a common language with the outlying quarters. We will not be able to eradicate the violence of the Black Panthers if we do not get down to root causes. We have a plethora of sociological research studies, and we should not rely on ward leaders who live in better-off neighbourhoods.

"From one research study we commissioned (from Dr. Moshe Lisak of the Hebrew University) we learn that even if you give equal service to the poorer neighbourhood, it still remains poorer. These districts require preferential treatment from the local authorities and the Histadrut as well as from the Government."

Another idea of Meshel's, which he spelled out at the Kupat Holim Convention, was for the best doctors and specialists to go to the poorer districts. He wants famous specialists to pay regular visits to Kupat Holim clinics in the Hatikva and Shapira Quarters, for example. He also wants to persuade engineers and teachers to go to the poorer districts and help the schoolchildren with their homework in physics, mathematics and English. "To talk of equal opportunities without equal education is meaningless. We have to give this problem the priority, for Israeli society cannot afford generations of poverty."

For his part, Meshel intends to fulfill his promise to the small Black Panther faction to hold a full-scale debate on the Katz Report on Poverty among Children. "The Panthers believe that Dr. Katz's approach offers an opening to a serious solution without any overtones of social welfare. I come to that thereby we enhance the value of human beings, and that is the first step away from self-defeating attitudes," Mr. Meshel says, and speaks of his intention of opening a special Histadrut department for community work headed by Aliza Gilad and Paltiel Segal.

Incomes policy

Spelling out his thoughts on incomes policy, the Secretary-General says wage-earners' living standards are not only made up of salaries but of Government services, e.g. housing, health, education etc. He stressed that it was inconceivable to expect that the Histadrut should limit itself to wages and ignore the rest. Moreover it was unacceptable that curbs be imposed only on wages and not on business profits. Where this was attempted in the U.S. and the U.K., it did not work out.

This year, for example, the Histadrut has agreed to greater restraint in wage demands on condition that the Government keep down prices on 14 basic commodities, not raise the cost of its services, impose new taxes, and that include VAT. Another condition is price restraint by the manufacturers. Meshel is deeply disturbed at the inflationary spiral which threatens to rise by 35 per cent in 1974 unless curbs are imposed. Such an inflationary wave could either end in recession or social unrest, he warns. Accordingly the Histadrut is obliged to sharpen its automatic cost-of-living allowance mechanism, "little as it wants to." All the workers I meet keep saying to me, 'We don't want more wages or higher c-o-l allowance payments, we want lower prices.'"

He stressed that a prime reason why social unrest had been foreseen was the Histadrut's effort to maintain workers' purchasing power. Meshel believes that Israeli society cannot permit so many of its workers having to resort to social welfare to make ends meet. The introduction of a minimum wage would obviate this situation. He also spoke of benefits accruing to poorer families from the increase in family allowances. "It seems a trifle strange that families only get allowances from the third child onwards. Henceforwards they are getting paid from the first child. To a two-child family pays tax, that does not affect the lower income strata."

Dry Bones

POSTSCRIPTS

Rehearsal for life

ONE of the mysteries of life, like the migration of birds, is why children all over the world know exactly at what time of the year to start skipping or playing hopscotch. According to an American researcher, most children recite rhymes when they skip, except Greek and Italian youngsters.

The rhymes, says Dr. Butler — who has collected more than 2000 of them during her travels all round the world — tell adults a great deal, if they listen closely. Most of the rhymes are scraps of phrases and words dating back to Roman times, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. They have survived, AP reports Dr. Butler as saying, because there is something haunting about them and because they are remembered emotions that have a universality about them, dealing as they do with the problems of growing upand existing.

A constant theme is the frustration that children experience with their younger siblings. An Anglo-Saxon" rhyme, for example, runs:

"I had a little brother,
His name was Tiny Jim.
I put him in the bathtub
And taught him how to swim.
He drank up all the water,
He ate up all the soap.
He died last night
With a bubble in his throat."

Other rhymes show a matter of fact acceptance of death. Rope-skipping, according to Dr. Butler, is a rehearsal for life.

READERS' LETTERS

Monthly army allowance

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am writing to you again to keep you in the picture regarding the financial problems facing the self-employed serving in the reserves and their families. Since Yom Kippur, when my husband was called up, I received a monthly allowance directly from the National Insurance. This arrived within the first week of the following month and I was able to cash it at the post office and pay for food, rent, etc.

This has now been stopped. The money due for March and future months is now being processed by Bank Leumi in Tel Aviv. Today, the 17th, I at last received the March money, only to find that I could not cash the cheque. Unlike the reasonable clerks in the post office, Bank Leumi insists that only the husband can sign for and draw the money and who knows when a man can be home in these times?

Why has the National Insurance Institute handed this job over to Bank Leumi when they were so efficient?

ANNE KAYE

Nazareth Illit, April 17.

Bank Leumi replies:

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DOV ARNON

Tel Aviv, May 2.

Superpowers and Judea

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Professor Yadin, asked by Mrs. Kissinger why Judea was so important to the Romans that they should have invested such tremendous efforts to subjugate the Jews (May 6), replied: "Already then, Judea was the key to this part of the world, without which it was difficult to control Syria, Trans-Jordan and even Egypt."

I think that the psychological motive was of no less importance. Small Judea had the courage to resist the colossal Roman Empire. Superpowers, then as now, don't like resistance and therefore Judea had to perish.

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